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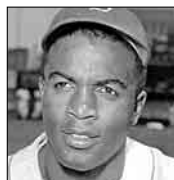
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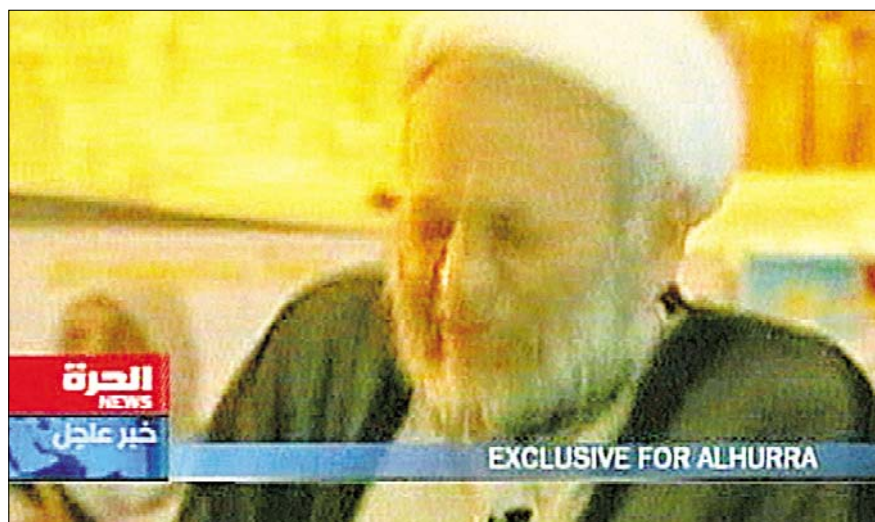
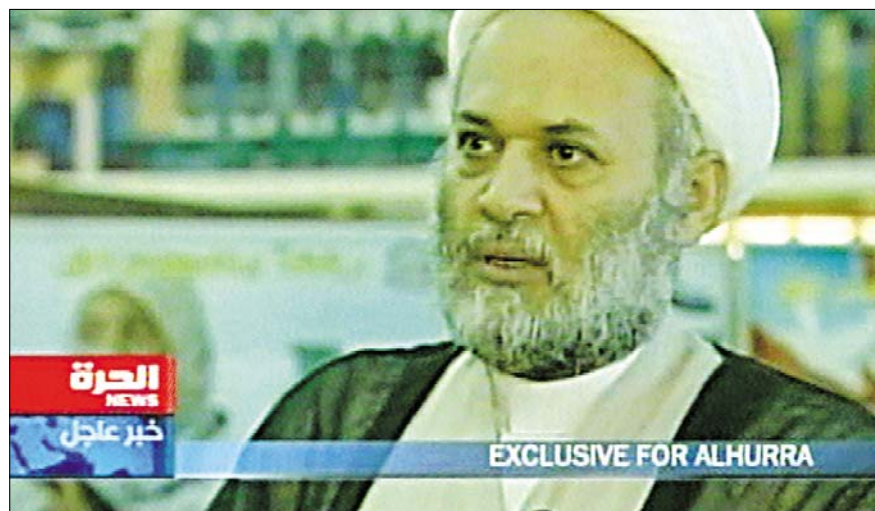
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## Bomber Strikes Iraqi Parliament

**DEADLY BREACH:** Parliament member Jalaluddin al-Saghir on Alhurra TV reacts to an explosion in the Iraqi parliament cafeteria on Thursday. The blast, inside the heavily guarded Green Zone, killed eight people including Iraqi lawmakers. ❖ **Vulnerable:** Suicide blast shakes the Green Zone | **Page 9**

## CBS Pulls The Plug On Imus

Radio host loses his job amid outrage over racist remarks

NEW YORK | CBS fired Don Imus from his radio program Thursday, the finale to a stunning fall for one of the nation's most prominent broadcasters.

Imus initially was given a two-week suspension for calling the Rutgers women's basketball team "nappy-headed hos" on the air last week, but outrage escalated and advertisers bolted from his CBS show and its MSNBC simulcast, which was canceled Wednesday.

Imus had a long history of inflammatory remarks. But something struck a raw nerve when he targeted the Rutgers team — which includes a class valedictorian, a future lawyer and a musical prodigy — after they lost in the NCAA championship game. A spokeswoman for the team said it did not have an immediate comment about Imus' firing.

Losing Imus will be a financial hit to CBS Radio, which also suffered when Howard Stern departed for satellite radio. The program earns about \$15 million in annual revenue for CBS. DAVID BAUDER (AP)



Imus

**INFINITESIMAL | The Fine Print** Physicists at Canada's Simon Fraser University have created a book so tiny, it requires an electron microscope to read, the Vancouver Sun reported. Copies of "Teeny Ted From Turnip Town"



cost \$20,000 each and measure .07 millimeters by .1 millimeter. The reigning World's Tiniest Book was a copy of Anton Chekov's "Chameleon" that clocked in at .9 by .9 millimeters. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | **Page 2**



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What's the best way to make a would-be bank robber turn around and walk away empty-handed? Try a handshake and a smile. Excessive friendliness is the key to the "Safecatch" system created by FBI Special Agent Larry Carr. The premise is that an overdose of courtesy will unnervingly would-be robbers. "If you're a legitimate customer, you think, 'This is the friendliest person I've met in my life.' If you're a bad guy, it scares the lights out of you," said Drew Ness, a vice president of Bellevue, Wash.-based First Mutual Bank, who advocates

## PRIVACY

### Geez. Nobody Knocks Anymore!

Police looking for a purse snatcher in Moundsville, W. Va., were able to flush the suspect out from the portable toilet where he was hiding. "A Port-A-Potty is not a good place to hide," police Chief James Kudlak said. "There's only one way out." Johnny Snodgrass, 21, was caught at the construction site where he was working Monday. (AP)



JUNG YEON-JE/AP/GETTY IMAGES

## DINING

### Heaven, I'm in Heaven

It's the monkey equivalent of watching the average American perched on top of a giant pile of doughnuts! This white-handed gibbon apparently was allowed to gorge itself for the pleasure of onlooking children at the opening of "Friendly Monkey Valley," a new section of South Korea's Everland amusement park. (EXPRESS)

## UNFAIR

### Turn the Other Cheek. Then Get Clobbered

A Mankato, Minn., jail guard has been suspended after allegedly thumping an

inmate with a Bible. James Lee Sheppard, 56, was charged with two gross misdemeanors for allegedly swatting Jeremy Hansen, 26, grabbing him by the throat, slamming him against steel bars and whacking him with the Hansen's

own Bible on Feb. 8. Dennis McCoy, Blue Earth County administrator, said Sheppard was the first to report the confrontation. "He knew he violated policy and, to his credit, he turned himself in," McCoy said. (AP)

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"It is important for all of us to make it clear that accountability is not a way to punish anybody."

—President Bush, defending the No Child Left Behind Act on Thursday

## Nation

## Duke Case Prosecutor Apologizes

Exonerated lacrosse players' lawyers weigh suing disgraced D.A.

RALEIGH, N.C. | The district attorney in the sexual assault case against three Duke lacrosse players apologized to the athletes in a statement Thursday as their lawyers weighed whether to sue him.



Nifong

On Wednesday, North Carolina Attorney General Roy Cooper threw out the case against the three young men and delivered a withering attack of Mike Nifong, portraying him as a "rogue" prosecutor guilty of "overreaching."

In his first comment on that decision, Nifong said: "To the extent that I made judgments that ultimately proved to be incorrect, I apologize to the three students that were wrongly accused."

He issued what appeared to be a plea to the students not to take any further action, saying, "It is my sincere desire that the actions of Attorney General Cooper will serve to remedy any remaining injury that has resulted from these cases."

Attorneys for the players have not said whether they plan a civil action against Nifong. (AP)

# Alleged Al-Qaeda Fighter Indicted

Ohio man is accused of conspiring to attack resorts, military bases

COLUMBUS, OHIO | A federal grand jury indicted an Ohio man on charges of joining al-Qaeda and conspiring to bomb European tourist resorts and U.S. government facilities and military bases overseas, officials announced Thursday.

Christopher Paul, 43, a U.S. citizen and resident of Columbus, spent time learning hand-to-hand fighting and how to use grenades and assault rifles at an al-Qaeda camp in Afghanistan in the early 1990s, according to a federal grand jury indictment. He then joined the terrorist group in Pakistan and told al-Qaeda members he was dedicated



Tim Murphy, right, special agent of the FBI Cincinnati Division, answers questions about Christopher Paul, a Columbus man indicted on charges of joining al-Qaeda.

to committing violent jihad.

The investigation into Paul and his activities spanned four years, three continents and at least eight countries, FBI agent Tim Murphy said Thursday, shortly before Paul appeared before a federal judge.



Paul

"The indictment of Christopher Paul paints a disturbing picture of an American who traveled overseas to train as a violent jihadist, joined the ranks of al-Qaeda and provided military instruction and support to radical cohorts both here and abroad," Assistant U.S. Attorney General Kenneth Wainstein said in a statement. (AP)

## CDC: Gonorrhea Is Drug-Resistant

Officials say new approach is needed to avoid health crisis

The sexually transmitted disease gonorrhea is now among the "superbugs" resistant to common antibiotics, leading U.S. health officials to recommend wider use of a different class of drugs to avert a public health crisis.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention made the new recommendation after discovering

### TRACKING THE PROBLEM

→ Gonorrhea, which is believed to infect more than 700,000 people in the United States each year, can leave both men and women infertile and puts people at higher risk of getting the AIDS virus.

→ The disease is spread through sexual contact and is the second most commonly reported infectious disease in the United States, trailing only chlamydia.

that nearly 7 percent of gonorrhea cases among heterosexual men in a survey of 26 U.S. cities last year were drug-resistant. In 2001, only about 0.6 percent of gonorrhea cases among heterosexual men were drug-resistant. Experts called the situation perilous.

"We are running out of options to treat this disease," said Dr. John Douglas Jr., director of the CDC's division of STD prevention. He noted that there are "no new drugs for gonorrhea in the drug development pipeline." (AP)

## Panel Is Against Vioxx Successor

WASHINGTON | A painkiller proposed as a successor to Vioxx should not be approved, a panel of federal health advisers recommended Thursday. The nonbinding 20-1 vote was on the prescription drug Arcoxia, made by Merck & Co., Inc. A U.S. Food and Drug Administration drug safety expert earlier told the panel that the drug may increase substantially the risk of stroke and heart attack and is no more effective for pain relief than other medicines in the same class. (AP)

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## Nation

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The number of consecutive years Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, has been serving as a U.S. senator. Stevens, 83, becomes the longest-serving Republican senator in history Friday.

# T-Rex Linked to Chickens

## Researchers decode genetic material from ancient dinosaur bone

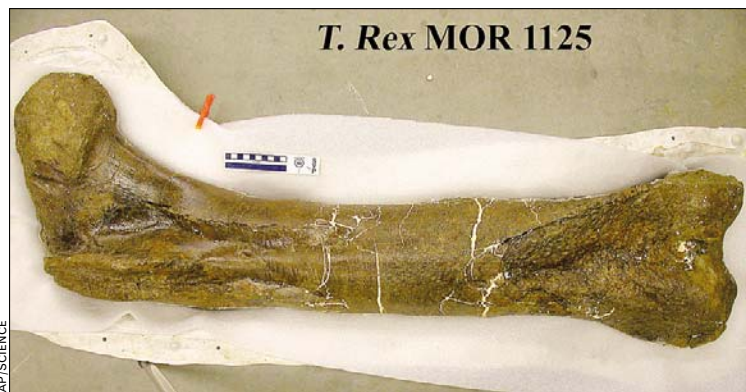
WASHINGTON | Researchers have decoded genetic material from a 68-million-year-old Tyrannosaurus rex, an unprecedented discovery once thought impossible.

"The door just opens up to a whole avenue of research that involves anything extinct," said Matthew T. Carrano, curator of dinosaurs at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History.

The new finding, reported in Friday's issue of the journal Science, supports the idea that today's birds are descendants of dinosaurs.

While dinosaur bones have long been studied, "it's always been assumed that preservation does not extend to the cellular or molecular level," said Mary Highty Schweitzer of North Carolina State University.

So, when she was able to recover soft tissue from a Tyrannosaurus rex bone found in Montana in



T. Rex MOR 1125

Researchers have been able to decode genetic material from this femur bone from a Tyrannosaurus rex. The 68-million-year-old bone was discovered in 2003.

2003, Schweitzer was surprised. Now researchers, led by John M. Asara, have been able to analyze proteins from that bone.

Asara's team found collagen in the sample, a type of fibrous connective tissue that is a major component of bone. The closest match to the Tyrannosaurus rex collagen among living creatures was found in chicken bones.

"Most people believe that birds evolved from dinosaurs, but that's all based on the architecture of the

bones," Asara said. "This allows you to get the chance to say, 'Wait, they really are related, because their sequences are related.' We didn't get enough sequences to definitively say that, but what sequences we got support that idea."

"The fact that we are getting proteins is very, very exciting," said John Horner of Montana State University.

"[It] changes the idea that birds and dinosaurs are related from a hypothesis to a theory." (AP)

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# Nation

## World Bank Chief Comes Under Fire

### Wolfowitz apologizes for helping friend get State Department job

WASHINGTON | World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz acknowledged Thursday that he erred in helping a close female friend get transferred to a high-paying job.

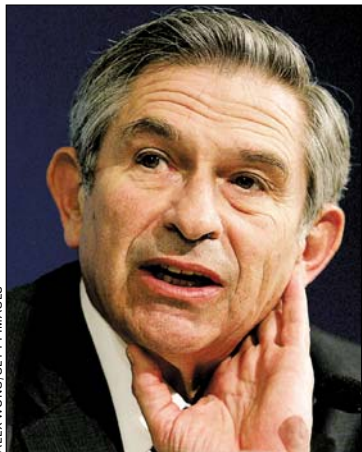
"In hindsight, I wish I had trusted my original instincts and kept myself out of the negotiations. I made a mistake, for which I am sorry," he said.

His apology didn't ease concerns among the bank's staff association, which wants him to resign.

At issue are the generous compensation and pay raises of a bank employee, Shaha Riza, who has dated Wolfowitz. She was given an assignment at the State Department in September 2005, shortly after he became bank president.

The World Bank Group Staff Association is demanding that Wolfowitz step down.

"The president must acknowledge that his conduct has compromised the integrity and effec-



ALEX WONG/GETTY IMAGES

World Bank chief Paul Wolfowitz apologized for helping his friend get a job.

tiveness of the World Bank Group and has destroyed the staff's trust in his leadership," the association said Thursday. "He must act honorably and resign."

Wolfowitz said he met Thursday morning with the World Bank's board and that members were looking into the matter.

Wolfowitz dodged a question about whether he would resign. "I cannot speculate on what the board is going to decide," he said. (AP)

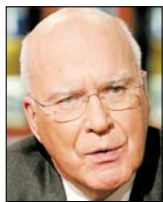
## Leahy Says Aides Are Lying About E-Mails

### Officials say messages wanted for attorney probe may be lost

WASHINGTON | President Bush's aides are lying about White House e-mails sent on a Republican account that might have been lost, Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy suggested Thursday, vowing to subpoena those documents if the administration fails to turn them over.

"They say they have not been preserved. I don't believe that," Leahy, a Democrat, shouted from the Senate floor.

"Those e-mails are there. ... We'll



Leahy

subpoena them, if necessary."

White House spokesman Scott Stanzel said there is no effort to purposely keep the e-mails secret, and the counsel's

office is doing everything it can to recover any that were lost.

The disclosure about the e-mails escalates a standoff between the Democratic-controlled Congress and the White House over the prosecutor firings. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales is to appear before Leahy's committee Tuesday to fight for his job. (AP)

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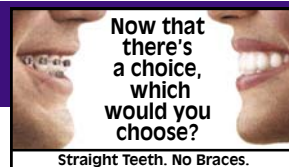
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## World

### In Brief



Turkish Gen. Yasar Buyukanit urges an attack against Kurds in northern Iraq.

#### ANKARA, TURKEY

#### Frustrated Military Seeks Approval for Iraq Attacks

Turkey's military asked the government Thursday to approve attacks on Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq, signaling growing frustration over a lack of action against the guerrillas by Iraqi and U.S. forces. Such action could put an overstretched U.S. military in the middle of a fight between two crucial partners, the Turks and the Iraqi Kurds, and Washington urged Turkish restraint. "An operation into Iraq is necessary," Gen. Yasar Buyukanit told reporters. (AP)

#### JERUSALEM

#### Report: Former PM Sharon's Condition Improves Slightly

An Israeli TV station reported late Thursday that there has been a slight improvement in former Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's condition, but the hospital refused to comment. Channel 10 TV reported the change, but Sharon remained comatose. He has been unconscious since suffering a massive stroke in January 2006. He is hospitalized in the long-term section of Sheba Medical Center. (AP)

#### TAIPEI, TAIWAN

#### Zoo Worker's Forearm Reattached After Croc Bite

A zoo worker had his forearm reattached Thursday after his colleagues recovered the severed limb from the mouth of a 440-pound Nile crocodile, an official said. The crocodile severed Chang Po-yu's forearm on Wednesday at the Shaoshan Zoo in Kaohsiung when the veterinarian tried to retrieve a tranquilizer dart from the reptile's hide. (AP)

# 8 Killed in Attack on Iraq Parliament

## 3 lawmakers dead in biggest security breach in Green Zone

**BAGHDAD** | A suicide bomber slipped through the tightest security net in Baghdad and blew himself up in the midst of lawmakers having lunch in the parliament dining hall Thursday. U.S. officials said eight people, including parliament members, were killed in the deadliest-ever attack in the American-guarded Green Zone.

The stunning breach of security, on the same day that a massive bombing destroyed one of Baghdad's main bridges, laid a cloud of heavy doubt about progress in the latest U.S.-Iraqi bid to clamp off violence in the capital. The drive has put thousands of troops on the streets in a massive operation to round up militants and their weapons.

A news video camera captured the moment of the blast, about 2:30 p.m. — a flash and an orange ball of fire causing Jalaluddin al-Saghir, a startled parliament member who was being interviewed, to duck. Smoke and dust billowed through the area, and confused and frightened lawmakers and



**DEADLY SCENE:** A man and woman sift through the clouds of ash Thursday while trying to escape the Iraq parliament building.

**"I was lying on a bed of shattered glass on the floor of the cafeteria of the Iraqi parliament building, covered with ashes and dust."**

A firsthand account of the blast by Sudarsan Raghavan. | **Today, AI**

**IN The Washington Post**

others could be heard screaming for help and to find colleagues.

A woman was shown kneeling over what appeared to be a wounded or dead man near a table and chairs. The camera then focused on a bloody, severed leg — apparently that of the suicide bomber.

U.S. military spokesman Maj.

Gen. William Caldwell said the attack bore the trademarks of al-Qaeda in Iraq. The terrorist group is fighting not only to oust U.S. forces from Iraq but also against fellow Sunnis in the west of the country who have begun to leave the insurgency and side with U.S. and Iraqi soldiers. STEVEN R. HURST (AP)

# Algeria Picks Up Pieces After Blasts

## Death toll rises to 33 as fears mount that peaceful days are done

**ALGIERS, ALGERIA** | The scene was unexpected, astonishing: A day after a suicide bomber blasted the walls off the Algerian prime minister's office, workers in hard hats were already cementing bricks into place to patch up the devastation.

That car bombing, and two other coordinated attacks at a suburban police station, killed 33 people and dented hopes that Algeria may be closing the book on an Islamic insurgency that peaked in the 1990s.

Even after years of relative peace, some Algerians seemed



Algerian mourners pray in front of the coffin of a man killed on Wednesday.

resigned Thursday, even hardened, to the possibility of a return to violence.

The speedy rebuilding of the prime minister's office was one sign that Algeria had reverted to survival skills learned during the

horrors of the deadly insurgency.

Streets were closed off. Police rolled out in force — a once-familiar sight in Algiers, which has come to life again after the dark years when people were afraid to go out at night. Once again Wednesday night, people mostly stayed home.

The next day, people swamped newsstands and gathered in parks to talk about what happened. Hamoud Ouachad, 33, passed the time by watching workers at the premier's office, where a scaffolding surrounded the building.

"We had forgotten what happened," he said, referring to the insurgency. "And now it's starting over. ... We want peace. We don't want this to become a daily occurrence." AIDAN LEWIS (AP)

# N. Korea Silent On Weekend's Nuke Deadline

**SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA** | North Korea appeared increasingly unlikely to meet a weekend deadline to shut down its nuclear reactor, staying silent Thursday about whether it was satisfied with a U.S. solution to a financial dispute that has stalled the disarmament process.

The U.S., South Korea and China said the North has not withdrawn some \$25 million that was unfrozen this week in a bank in the Chinese territory of Macau. Washington had blacklisted the Banco Delta Asia in September 2005 for allegedly helping the North launder money and pass counterfeit \$100 bills. (AP)





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## World



With a poster of BBC journalist Alan Johnston behind them in London's Trafalgar Square, the kidnapped reporter's family pleads on Thursday for his safe return.

## Networks Seek Reporter's Release

Abbas tells the BBC kidnapped journalist remains 'safe and well'

RAMALLAH, WEST BANK | In an unprecedented show of unity and concern, three international news networks held a joint broadcast Thursday calling for the release of BBC journalist Alan Johnston a month after he was kidnapped by Palestinian gunmen in Gaza City.

The 25-minute broadcast by the British Broadcasting Corp., Al-Jazeera and Sky News — with a contribution from CNN — was part of a day of public events meant to put pressure on the kidnappers, including an appeal from Johnston's father to "let my son go. Now. Today!"

Alan Johnston, a Scotland

native who was abducted at gunpoint March 12, has been held longer than any other foreigner kidnapped in Gaza. Johnston, the only foreign reporter based in Gaza, was snatched just weeks before he was scheduled to end his three-year stint there. There has been no sign of life from him since, and no word from his captors.

Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas told the BBC on Wednesday that he had "credible evidence that Alan was safe and well," BBC director general Mark Thompson said during a news conference in Ramallah on Thursday.

Abbas aide Saeb Erekat said the Palestinian president had been reassured that Johnston was alive, and Abbas "is exerting every possible effort to ensure his release."

MOHAMMED DARAGHMEH (AP)

## China's Wen Seeks Bond With Japan

TOKYO | Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao urged Japan's parliament on Thursday not to forget Tokyo's war-time aggression, even as the two powers mend strained ties and bolster thriving business relations.

Wen — China's first leader to address the parliament in 22 years — was on a three-day "ice-

melting" trip to Japan as the two countries work to reverse a deterioration in ties caused partly by the two former World War II enemies' disagreements over the past. "To reflect on history is not to dwell on hard feelings but to remember and learn from the past in order to open a better future," Wen said. (AP)





**SNOW ON CAMPUS:** Presidential adviser Tony Snow, formerly of Fox News Channel, will speak at the Catholic University of America's commencement ceremony on May 12, the university announced Thursday.

## Local

### In Brief

#### WASHINGTON

##### Navy Cancels Work Order For Next Generation Ship

The U.S. Navy Thursday said it was canceling a widely criticized Lockheed Martin Corp. contract to build a next-generation combat ship, due to cost overruns. The stop work order came after cost estimates on the first ship, which is three-quarters completed, soared to at least \$350 million from an contracted \$270 million. The Navy had initially awarded contracts for four LCS ships, two to Bethesda, Md.-based Lockheed and two to Falls Church, Va.-based General Dynamics Corp. (AP)

#### WASHINGTON

##### Fischer Is Named New NSO Principal Conductor

Iván Fischer was named Thursday as the principal conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra through the 2009-10 season. Fischer has been the principal guest conductor since 2005. He previously worked as a guest conductor in 2001 after making his debut with the National Symphony in 1997. (AP)

#### CHEVY CHASE, MD.

##### Fugitive Dentist Is Found On Beach in Mexico

A suburban Washington dentist on the run after his 2003 conviction for raping a 15-year-old girl while she was under sedation in his dental office was arrested this week at a Mexican beach, authorities said Thursday. David Fuster, 51, formerly of Damascus, was taken into custody without incident by Mexican and U.S. officers Tuesday while on an outing with his family. (AP)

# VA Disability System Inconsistent

## Review finds injured soldiers potentially shortchanged by Army

WASHINGTON | The Army might be shortchanging injured soldiers by rating their disabilities with a system that is both unwieldy and

inconsistent, the head of a special commission said Thursday.

Testimony to Congress on Thursday by retired Lt. Gen. James Terry Scott, chairman of the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission, is the latest to document problems in a system under extra strain as thousands of service members return

from Iraq and Afghanistan.

In a preliminary review of Pentagon and VA data, Scott's commission found the Army was much more likely than the other active forces to assign a disability rating of less than 30 percent, the typical cutoff to determine whether a person can get lifetime retirement payments

and health care. His commission was formed in 2004 to study ways to improve the benefits system and is to issue a report later this year.

Separately, VA Secretary Jim Nicholson said a presidential task force he is heading plans to issue recommendations next week.

HOPE YEN (AP)

#### D.C. VOTING MARCH | LENDING A HELPING HAND



**CABBIES COME TOGETHER:** District cabdrivers Mekete Getahun, left, and Mulugeta Aboset, right, peruse flyers for Monday's Voting Rights March. Taxi drivers throughout D.C. will distribute them all weekend.

## D.C., Baltimore to Get New WiMax Network

### Chicago also slated to test out high-speed wireless access service

CHICAGO | Chicago, Washington and Baltimore will be among the first cities nationwide to have access to a new high-speed wireless network that's part of an emerging technology called WiMax.

The regional network operated by Sprint Nextel Corp., the nation's third-largest cellular provider, will offer wireless Internet speeds that match DSL and cable TV modems and allow people to have constant access to the Internet from a laptop as they travel in the area.

The first three cities will have access to the WiMax network by the end of the year.

Officials at Reston, Va.-based Sprint said they expect the \$3 billion project to reach more than 100 million Americans by the end of 2008 and take three years to complete.

WiMax is derived from the same technology as the popular Wi-Fi standard that provides wireless Internet access in such places as airports and coffee shops.

Unlike Wi-Fi, which provides wireless Internet access over a several hundred foot range, a WiMax signal can blanket a much wider area. (AP)

## Voltage Surge Sparked Metro Fire

WASHINGTON | A voltage surge and software glitch caused a small fire aboard a Metro train car last weekend, and the transit system was correcting the software on other rail cars, Metro said Thursday.

Electrical equipment underneath the rail car failed, causing voltage in

the car to rise. A new software package in the car, designed to monitor the flow of electricity, also failed, investigators said.

The fire was sparked in the undercarriage of the car after part of the brake system overheated. (AP)

## The Lotteries

Thursday, April 12

#### DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	6-4-5
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	9-0-6
Mid-day DC 4	4-8-3-4
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	7-6-2-6
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	2-13-22-26-30
Daily 6 (Wed.)	1-13-25-27-33-39 Bonus: 31
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	18-21-23-26-32(15)

#### MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	8-0-7
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	2-5-1
Mid-day Pick 4	2-6-7-0
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	5-5-7-1
Match 5 (Wed.)	6-16-33-36-37 Bonus: 39
Lotto (Wed.)	14-15-22-27-28-43

#### VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	6-8-8
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	X-X-X
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	6-9-7-2

Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	1-8-4-1
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	2-15-29-31-32
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	2-4-20-25-32
Win for Life (Wed.)	2-14-20-24-30-39

#### MULTI-STATE GAMES

Powerball (Wed.)	6-15-38-42-51 (18)
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# Money



**MOVING ON UP:** Latin American telecom magnate Carlos Slim has quietly overtaken investor Warren Buffett as the world's second-richest person and is "breath-takingly close" to wresting the top spot from Bill Gates, Forbes magazine reported.

## Nestle Goes Gaga Over Baby Food

Company announces it will purchase Gerber Baby for \$5.5 billion

GENEVA | The famous Gerber Baby will change parents, with Nestle SA announcing Thursday that it will buy Gerber Products Co. for \$5.5 billion, giving the world's biggest food and drink company the largest share of the global baby food market.

The acquisition from pharmaceutical maker Novartis SA helps further Nestle's recent focus on health and nutrition, after its purchases of weight control company Jenny Craig and Novartis Medical Nutrition.

Nestle, which owns brands such as Nescafe and Perrier, is also the

world's largest manufacturer of infant nutritional products — through its positions in developing countries — but had no presence in baby food in the United States.

The cherubic face of the happy Gerber infant dominates the U.S. baby food market, with the company holding a 79 percent share, according to Morgan Stanley.

"The acquisition of Gerber is the perfect complementary fit," said Nestle Chairman and CEO Peter Brabeck-Letmathe. "It not only gives Nestle the leadership position in baby food, but it also constitutes a decisive step to establish Nestle Nutrition as the undisputed global leader in the nutrition field." ELIANE ENGELER (AP)

### Market Action

#### New York Stock Exchange

##### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Ipsco g	145.96	+15.06	+11.5
ChmpE	10.06	+.76	+8.2
ScottishRe	4.36	+.32	+7.9
Valhi s	18.41	+1.32	+7.7
Vonage n	3.20	+.20	+6.7

##### Losers

Nautilus	13.67	-2.34	-14.6
MarineMx	19.71	-3.24	-14.1
AMR	30.68	-1.62	-5.0
Gotchk	13.92	-.64	-4.4
MensW	44.80	-2.03	-4.3

#### Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.23	5.20
3-month disc	4.89	4.73
2-year	4.71	4.60
10-year	4.73	4.67
30-year	4.91	4.86

#### NASDAQ Stock Market

##### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Mobius	9.79	+2.35	+31.6
GenVec	4.23	+.80	+23.3
MedImun	43.63	+5.79	+15.3
EnvoyCap	3.55	+.45	+14.5
Iomai	4.77	+.15	+3.2

##### Losers

ECtelLtd	3.23	-1.31	-28.9
Nitches	4.00	-1.37	-25.5
Intphse	10.34	-3.32	-24.3
OceanB	2.15	-.49	-18.6
USANA H	41.35	-4.10	-9.0

#### Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5055	.5063	.5714
Canadian Dollar	1.1348	1.1420	1.1479
European Euro	.7418	.7448	.8262
Japanese Yen	119.06	119.30	118.52
Mexican Peso	11.0034	11.0150	11.0461
Taiwanese Dollar	33.15	33.11	32.48

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
+68.34	+21.01	+8.93
+0.55	+0.85	+0.62
12552.96	2480.32	1447.80

#### Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	57.41	+.41	+17.9
Allergan	117.81	+2.37	-1.6
AstraZen	54.55	+.77	+1.9
BarrPhm	47.53	+.21	-5.2
BrMySq	27.55	+.03	+5.8
ForestLab	54.71	+.20	+8.1
Hospira	40.80	+.31	+21.5
JohnJn	61.92	+.03	-6.2
KingPhrm	20.42	-.04	+28.3
LillyEli	55.94	+.35	+7.4
Merck	46.36	+.71	+6.3
Pfizer	26.46	+.42	+2.2
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Free spirits that they are, the Sunday Source staff has compiled a guide to fabulous finds, from soap samples to sandwiches to baby wipes, all gratis. Some require a little work, others require acquiescing to direct mail and still others demand nothing more than showing up and helping yourself.

"You have to put in suspension the cynicism that if it says 'free,' there's probably a gimmick," says Bob Kallan, co-author of "The Best Free Things in America" (Roblin Press, 2003). Though strings may be attached, "there are some wonderful things out there that are totally free for the asking," he says.

So here's our roundup of events,

meals, performances and more that won't cost you a penny.

And thanks to the Internet — and lots of people with a little too much time on their hands — there is no shortage of online tips for such a search: Try TheFreeSite.com, a jumping-off point for freebies everywhere, and About.com's freebie forum.

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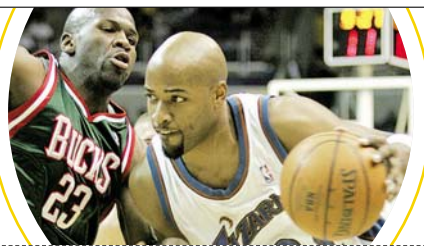
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On Friday (9 p.m. on VERSUS) and Sunday (9:30 p.m. on VERSUS), the Stars and Canucks square off. The Penguins-Senators series will be featured on Saturday (3 p.m. on NBC) and Sunday



Sean Avery

(6 p.m. on VERSUS). The Rangers and Thrashers (3 p.m. on NBC) and the Islanders and Sabres (7:30 p.m. on VERSUS) both play on Saturday. And Calgary and Detroit end the weekend on Sunday (1 p.m. on NBC).

→ **THE ROYAL FAMILY:** The O's home stand continues with games vs. the Royals on Friday (7:05 p.m. on MASN), Saturday (7:05 p.m. on MASN) and Sunday (1:35 p.m. on MASN2).

→ **DISAPPEARING ACT:** The Wizards have clinched a playoff spot but have lost six straight in the process. They play at the Hawks on Friday (7:30 p.m. on CSN) and at home against the Bulls on Sunday (1 p.m. on ABC).

→ **KICKIN' IT HOME-STYLE:** D.C. United gets its home schedule started this weekend when it hosts the Kansas City Wizards on Saturday (7:30 p.m. on Fox Soccer Channel).

→ **MEETING THE METS:** After a tough series in Atlanta, the Nats play a three-game series at the Mets on Friday (7:10 p.m. on MASN2), Saturday (1:10 p.m. on MASN2) and Sunday (1:10 p.m. on MASN).

Nats' 2B Felipe Lopez.



# A Change of Place

After rough road trip, United looks to turn things around at RFK

**UNITED** | Home openers are supposed to be occasions for renewal. For D.C. United, Saturday's game against the visiting Kansas City Wizards will be a relief. After enduring two weeks of high-altitude training in Guadalajara, Mexico, and Denver and difficult defeats in a Champions Cup semifinal and its MLS debut, the team is looking forward to finding its comfort zone.

"Just being home, at RFK, in the locker room and on our practice field was great," midfielder Brian Carroll said. "I think that did us a lot of good. We put in some good work, and now it's just about executing on the field."

United's lack of execution has resulted in a lackluster start. It was punished heavily for two defensive miscues against Mexican champion Chivas, resulting in an elimination that Carroll admitted weighed on the players' minds heading into their MLS opener against the Rapids. D.C. rarely threatened and lost, 2-1.

"It's our job to put things behind us and take care of business, and we weren't able to do that against Colorado. No matter how much we tried to put the Chivas game behind us, it was going to carry over somewhat," he said. "You put in all of last season to get to that point, to have it slip away, and know that you're not going back unless you win another regular season or MLS title is draining."

United coach Tom Soehn took a risk against the Rapids, starting second-year midfielders Stephen deRoux and Justin Moose on the flanks. The pair, with five MLS appearances, struggled to bring some variety to D.C.'s sluggish offense. Josh Gros,



**BIG BEN:** Midfielder Ben Olsen and United return to RFK Stadium to play the Wizards on Saturday after two recent road losses.

who normally adds attacking width, was out with a concussion but practiced this week and has been cleared to play Saturday.

While United's back three and striking pair are set, Soehn has intriguing tactical and personnel options in midfield. Clyde Simms offers an additional defensive pres-

ence while new imports Fred and Kasali Yinka Casal showed some attacking instincts in reserve roles last weekend.

"Coach just wants to use everybody and keep people fresh for the long season," Carroll explained.

There will be some pressure that comes with playing before the home

fans and facing a 0-2 start, but not nearly as much as D.C. faced at altitude the past two weeks.

"Our guys have been through an emotional roller coaster," Soehn told the league's Web site. "They've had a season within spring training. ... It's going to be refreshing to get home." BRIAN STRAUS

### SWIMMING | We Have a Nice Little Saturday Planned

After mastering ice skating for his new film "Blades of Glory," actor-comedian Will Ferrell hopes to do his best Mark Spitz impersonation this weekend when he hits the pool. On Saturday, Ferrell, a USC alum, will join USC



football coach Pete Carroll in a team fundraiser at the McDonald's Swim Stadium on campus. The "Pete vs. Will Challenge" headlines the 27th annual swim-a-thon, which raises money for the physically challenged athletes scholarship fund at USC. (AP)



# The Legacy Jackie Left

Robinson changed the face of baseball 60 years ago this Sunday

**BASEBALL** | Rachel Robinson still has vivid memories of April 15, 1947, when her husband changed America forever.

As Jackie Robinson was getting ready to break baseball's color barrier with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Rachel Robinson was hustling to get to Ebbets Field in time to see it.

She remembers waiting a long time for a taxi, because drivers routinely passed up black passengers.

"It was an exciting, exhilarating time — but it also was a stressful time," Rachel Robinson said.

Reform is rarely a breeze. Sustaining a legacy can be even more difficult.

As Major League Baseball pre-

pares to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Robinson's landmark achievement on Sunday, there are growing concerns about the sport's racial makeup.

Only 8.4 percent of big league players last season were black — the lowest number in at least two decades. In 1995, 19 percent of major leaguers were black, according to Richard Lapchick, director of the University of Central Florida's Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sports.

"Obviously, he would not be satisfied with where we are now," Rachel Robinson said, referring to the man she still calls Jack. "He



Jackie Robinson, right, steals home during a game against the Boston Braves in 1948.

## Jackie's Junctures | A brief look at Robinson's record

<b>Oct. 23, 1945</b> Robinson signs with the Dodgers' top minor league team.	<b>April 15, 1947</b> He debuts for the Dodgers and wins Rookie of the Year.	<b>Oct. 1949</b> Robinson wins NL MVP and the league batting title (.342).	<b>July 23, 1960</b> He is enshrined in the Baseball Hall of Fame.	<b>Oct. 23, 1972</b> Robinson dies of a heart attack at 53 years old.
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would be disappointed, because he felt we were on the way toward some lasting change."

"Nowadays, if you talk about Jackie Robinson, or Hank Aaron, a lot of black kids don't even know who he is. That's pretty sad," Twins outfielder Torii Hunter said.

Hall of Famer Joe Morgan said that's unacceptable.

"If you're an African-American, you should know what he did," Morgan said.

On Sunday, baseball will commemorate the 60th anniversary of his debut with celebrations at ballparks around the majors. The centerpiece will be a ceremony in Los Angeles before the Dodgers play San Diego, with Robinson's family on hand.

Every player on the Dodgers will wear No. 42 in honor of Robinson — a one-time exemption after baseball retired the number on the 50th anniversary of his first game. Elsewhere, many big league stars, including Ken Griffey Jr., will wear No. 42 as well. MIKE FITZPATRICK (AP)



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# An Aggressive Approach

Recent call-up Casto wants to show the Nats he can produce

**NATIONALS** | The kid doesn't seem fazed. Now he just needs a few more hits.

Washington's Kory Casto is finally getting a chance to show he can do at the major league level what he did so often in the minors. His average going into last night's series finale with the Braves might not show it (.179), but the left fielder has impressed some with his approach.

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"I don't think he's impressed," manager Manny Acta said last week. "I don't think he knows where he is yet."

"A lot of people are born and raised to do this, and I've been playing baseball my whole life," Casto said. "It's something that, if you're in awe, then you kind of get caught on your heels a little bit."



**THROW YOUR HANDS IN THE AIR:** Kory Casto, right, celebrates with Brian Schneider as he crosses home plate for the game-winning run in the Nats' first win of the season.

I'm trying to be aggressive and get good pitches to hit and stuff like that and just going out there and playing the game."

Acta said he wasn't afraid to bunt

Felipe Lopez to give Casto a chance to drive in the tying run in Washington's first win of the season. It's a position the manager may be in often this season, as two of three

outfield spots will be constantly occupied by guys trying to solidify themselves as major leaguers.

But isn't that what this year is all about?

Casto, who was sent to Triple-A Columbus at the end of spring training, got a quick call-up when starting center fielder Nook Logan hurt his foot on Opening Day. Casto — who played third base in parts of the last two seasons in the minors — doesn't seem bothered by a move back to the outfield, where he'll probably stay as long as he's in the Nationals organization.

"Just the opportunity to play and also to show them that I'm versatile ... helps me in the long run to have a spot where I can play every day, even if it's not left field," he said.

Casto has slipped into a slump after his big hit against Florida, going just 3 for 19 since. The two-time Nationals Minor League Player of the Year hit .272 with 20 home runs and 80 RBIs in Double-A Harrisburg last season. And while he may find himself the odd man out when Logan returns, it's doubtful this will be the last you hear of him.

"I think Kory is a good addition in the lineup, especially in that two-hole," right fielder Austin Kearns said. "He's got a good approach." **ERIC BRANDNER**

## PITCHING MATCHUPS



**John Patterson**

Throws: Right  
Fastball: 90  
Best Pitch: Slider

YEAR	IP	ERA	W	L	H	ER	BB	SO
'06 NL	40.1	4.43	1	2	36	20	9	42
'05 NL	198.1	3.13	9	7	172	69	65	185



**Mike Pelfrey**

Throws: Right  
Fastball: Mid 90s  
Best Pitch: Fastball

YEAR	IP	ERA	W	L	H	ER	BB	SO
'06 NL	21.1	5.48	2	1	25	13	12	13
'06 AA	66.1	2.71	4	2	60	20	26	77

**GAME** The Nationals staff ace, Patterson, has struggled mightily out of the gate, getting rocked for nine earned runs in his first two starts. The Mets' 6-foot-7 Pelfrey, a top prospect who won the fifth spot in the rotation this spring, toes the rubber for his first start of the 2007 season.

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# Wizards Looking for a Lift

As regular season ends, team hopes Hayes will step up for the playoffs

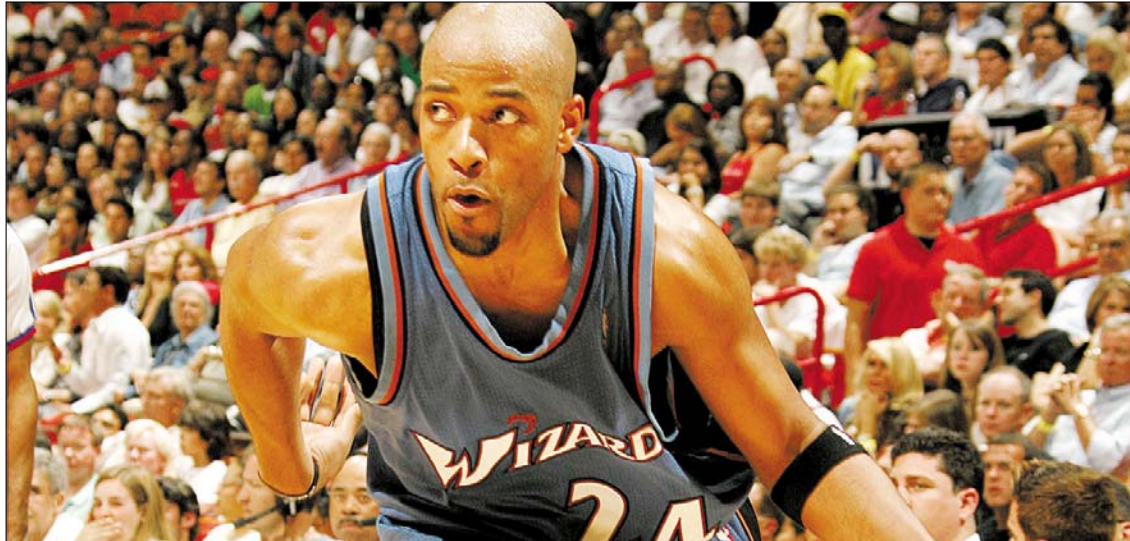
**WIZARDS** | Pain comes in several different forms.

Antonio Daniels did everything he could to stop Richard Jefferson on one second-quarter possession Tuesday night. Then, when it seemed he'd done his defensive job to near-perfection, he stuck out his chin and took an elbow in the face.

And then *he* got whistled for the foul.

It's been that kind of run for Washington (39-39), which hasn't won since the last time Gilbert Arenas and Caron Butler were on the court at the same time.

In one week, they went from having a mathematical chance of getting home court for the first round



With Arenas and Butler out, forward Jarvis Hayes has seen his minutes increase significantly as the Wizards push for the playoffs.

of the playoffs to backing their way into the postseason after Indiana lost Tuesday. But fans were in no mood to celebrate: The announcement of

the Wizards' third-straight playoff berth elicited barely a murmur from the thousands streaming to the exits after another loss.

Head coach Eddie Jordan seemed to choose his words carefully after the game, pursing his lips and looking at the floor before he spoke.

"It's hard winning in this league," Jordan said. "We did enough early and enough to get in."

And those early mid-season accomplishments may be all they get out of this campaign. With Arenas (out indefinitely with a sprained MCL) and Butler (out until at least late April with a broken hand) missing, Washington has come up with unlikely combinations to stay in games.

One player the Wizards have looked to for help is Jarvis Hayes, another player who knows all about pain.

Hayes, who missed most of last season with a knee injury, has come back with a solid, albeit inconsistent, season off the bench. Now that he's starting, the Wizards hope he has more games like Saturday's against New Jersey (29 points) than Tuesday's return performance against the Nets (three points on 1-for-7 shooting).

"[Tuesday] was one of those dud nights that, unfortunately, I can't have now," Hayes said. ERIC BRANDNER

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LOCAL SPORTS | BY MATT SWENSON

**Which Club Can Win Two First?**

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Capitals fans shouldn't feel left out. Sure, the team managed to lose even the draft lottery. Yet at the rate things are going, an October Opening Day doesn't rule them out in our game.



Beckham

There's a chance — a small one, mind you — that the Nationals finally took the lead before the ninth inning of Thursday night's game, which was to end after Express' deadline.

Does that mean they won? Miracles do happen.

D.C.'s baseball team is somehow worse than advertised. Forty wins may be pushing it, and piling

them up in a row seems wasteful at that point.

At least the Wizards are a playoff team, in name anyway. Curse or no, the team is doing just enough to lose games without All-Stars Gilbert Arenas and Caron Butler.

A sweep out of the playoffs is practically certain; a regular season win before then is less likely.

Who knows what's in store for the Redskins? History tells us they have started slowly (and finished

**Forty wins may be pushing it, and piling them up in a row seems wasteful.**

worse twice) in Joe Gibbs' first three years back in town.

D.C. United is probably the answer to our question. But does the soccer season really count before David Beckham arrives in August?

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**Hard Way to Learn****Penguins goalie Fleury to stay in net, but must improve after 6-3 loss**

NHL PLAYOFFS | Marc-Andre Fleury stumbled in his NHL playoff debut yet the Pittsburgh Penguins are still squarely behind their promising young goaltender.

Despite being pulled midway through the third period of Wednesday's 6-3 series-opening loss in Ottawa, Fleury will start Saturday in Game 2 of Pittsburgh's first-round series against the Senators.

"I'm looking forward to going in again and trying to get the win," Fleury said Thursday after the Penguins practiced at Scotiabank Place.

Fleury, chosen first overall in the 2003 draft, tripped and was out of position to stop Ottawa's Andrej Meszaros from scoring 1:37 into the series opener.

"I saw it a couple of times on TV last night," Fleury said. "It was a mistake. It's just something that happened."

The 22-year-old allowed five



Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury, left, allowed six goals during Pittsburgh's loss at Ottawa on Wednesday before being pulled, but he will remain the team's goalie.

more goals before coach Michel Therrien replaced him with Jocelyn Thibault during a stoppage in play with 9:32 remaining in the third.

"He gave up six goals, but I'm glad the first game, his first playoff game in the NHL, is behind him," Therrien said.

Gilles Meloche, the Penguins'

goaltending coach, believes Fleury had little support from his teammates Wednesday.

"We looked at the tapes today, and we have no problem with his game at all. We were really bad as a team, and he just wants to bounce back, and I am confident he's going to bounce back." SEAN FARRELL (AP)

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# Implausible Disbelief

## 'Perfect Stranger' gets lost in its own manic plot twists

**FILM** | "Perfect Stranger" is one of those movies in which nothing and no one turns out the way they originally seemed. And, maddeningly, that's true of the movie itself, as well.

It begins life as a sleek, sexy thriller — an eminently watchable guilty pleasure under the direction of James Foley ("Glen-garry Glen Ross") with its fabulous-looking people and places — but eventually it collapses in a heap of plot twists that are annoyingly implausible.

Rather than leaving you scratching your head wondering, "Huh, how'd they do that?" you're more likely to tear your hair out screaming, "No way!"

Halle Berry makes it all somewhat tolerable as Rowena Price, an intrepid investigative reporter for a very obviously New York Post-style tabloid. She suspects that a childhood friend (Nicki Aycox) was murdered by Harrison Hill, the famously philander-



Despite good chemistry, Bruce Willis and Halle Berry can't spark their new film.

ing head of a high-powered ad agency (Bruce Willis, tanned and trim). The friend had engaged in hot-and-heavy flirting with Harrison on the Internet before tracking him down in New York to continue the fling in person. In no time, her body is found, drowned and decomposing.

Rowena assumes various iden-

ties, both online and in his office as a temp, to uncover the truth. (She already has loads of practice doing this; before being fired from said tabloid for a drunken outburst, she wrote under a man's byline, and in a move of questionable journalistic ethics, sneaked into a senator's office under false pretenses to expose a Mark Fol-

eyesque intern scandal.)

But the truth is hard to come by in the script from Todd Komarnicki, based on a story by Jon Bokenkamp, since everyone keeps gratuitously double-crossing each other.

Giovanni Ribisi gets some laughs as Miles, the smitten tech geek who serves as Berry's guy Friday and seems to have infinite abilities to access anything, anytime. (This is one of the many suspension-of-disbelief elements of the movie. So is the idea that Willis' character has all day to sit around chatting with strangers online, asking them what color panties they're wearing and describing in detail what he'd like to do to them. LOL!!!)

Berry's character is so volatile, though — and is so many characters wrapped up in one — she does get a chance to show some range. She and Willis do have some chemistry together but, ultimately, his Harrison Hill devolves from slick power broker into sniveling bad guy.

The fact that he runs an advertising agency also allows for some obnoxious product placement; this movie was brought to you by Victoria's Secret, Heineken and Reebok. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

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**TOFU HUT:** Chuchart Kampirapan, aka Bobby, is the owner of Regent Thai.

# Cartoons Under the Influence

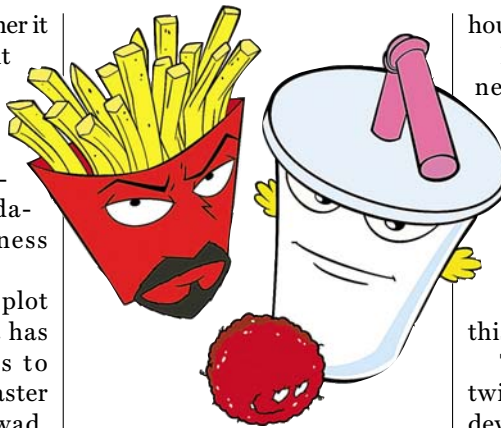
## 'Aqua Teen' jumps to the big screen with all its insanity intact

**FILM** | Now we would certainly never condone the use of illegal substances.

But "Aqua Teen Hunger Force Colon Movie Film for Theaters," a barely there theatrical version of the late-night TV cartoon, is probably a lot funnier if you're under the influence of something — even if it's just a high-octane mix of Red Bull and Cheetos.

Trying to determine whether it makes sense misses the point of the show entirely. "Aqua Teen Hunger Force," a cult-favorite fixture of Cartoon Network's Adult Swim lineup, is an intentionally Dadaist, stream-of-consciousness explosion.

To analyze the movie's plot would be to assume that it has one; vaguely, it attempts to explain the existence of Master Shake, Frylock and Meatwad, the fast-talking fast-food products who share a run-down tract



**DRUGS DON'T WORK:** Frylock, Meatwad & Master Shake fight crime (or something).

house in suburban New Jersey.

In its gleefully rampant weirdness, the movie from "Aqua Teen" co-creators Matt Maiellaro and Dave Willis has an even amount of hilarious moments and stretches that just seem gratuitously out-there.

You have to give these guys this much:

They remained true to their twisted vision. It's definitely for devotees only and is unlikely to earn any new converts.

**CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

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**PIERCING A VEIN:** "After the Wedding" taps directly into intense raw emotions.

# Darkness in Scandinavia

**Oscar-nominated 'After the Wedding' is a deep melodrama**

FILM | Swedish director Susanne Bier's "After the Wedding" mainlines emotion. Mads Mikkelsen plays Jacob, who manages an orphanage in India and serves as a surrogate father to an orphan, Pramod. A billionaire Danish businessman has offered to donate a sum of money without which the orphanage cannot stay open. But he insists that Jacob return to Denmark and meet him, a condition that Jacob, who despises rich people and doesn't want to miss Pramod's upcoming birthday party,

feels is onerous.

Though he is devoted to his work to an almost Jesuitical extent, Jacob has the air of God's angry man, and going back to Denmark is the last thing he wants to do. The film then switches to Denmark, where the billionaire and his wife are preparing to marry off their daughter. It's giving nothing away to say that something happens at the wedding that is so confounding it would be the climax of another film, but here it is only the very beginning of the story. What transpires upends everyone's world and reopens all kinds of old wounds, even ones that the injured didn't know they had.

KENNETH TURAN (LOS ANGELES)



# A Blocked View

**'Disturbia' tries to be Hitchcockian, but it's no 'Rear Window'**

FILM | The filmmakers are quick to acknowledge "Rear Window" as a forerunner for the voyeurism of "Disturbia," a thriller about a housebound teenager convinced his neighbor's a serial killer. What they don't have to say is that "Disturbia" is no "Rear Window," because you already knew that.

"Rear Window" was Alfred Hitchcock, James Stewart and Grace Kelly. "Disturbia" is director D.J. Caruso ("Two for the Money," "The Salton Sea") and stars Shia LaBeouf and relative newcomer Sarah Roemer.

Comparisons between "Rear Window" and "Disturbia" end with the plot similarity of apartment-bound Stewart spying on a neighbor he believes murdered his wife. Of course, "Disturbia" is not going to measure up to that classic of cloistered paranoia.

Yet "Disturbia" is a decent-enough thriller that's far smarter than most big studio flicks with teen protagonists. The movie's completely predictable, but LaBeouf comes off as a sturdy leading man with one



Shia LaBeouf, left, plays a cooped-up teen who's convinced his neighbor's a killer.

of his most assured performances yet, while Caruso crafts some mildly clever moments of suspense.

The menacing presence of David Morse as the suspect neighbor adds enormously to the gravity and tension of "Disturbia." The great thing about Morse is he can play nice guys and evil guys in almost precisely the same way, and they're equally believable. That keeps the audience guessing a bit, though you pretty much see early on in the screenplay by Carl Ellsworth ("Red Eye") where things are heading.

Hitchcock used the lavish urban

block constructed for "Rear Window" to great advantage, the detail and close quarters helping to create a mood of claustrophobic drama and desperation. The neighborhood in "Disturbia" just looks like an anonymous suburb, a clean, pleasant, dull place to live.

Part of the filmmakers' point is that any old nutcase might be lurking behind the drawn curtains of the house next to you in just such an anonymous locale. It still makes for a mighty limiting, boring place to set a movie, though.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)



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# Weekend Entertainment

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**300** (R, 105 minutes) This cartoonified version of a hard day's work on the coast of Greece, where 300 Spartans stood against a much larger horde of Persians, fails to offer any theories of Spartan greatness. The movie makes

no arguments at all; it's entirely an overblown visual document with an IQ in the lower 20s. The action is all showy and stylized, never quite realistic. Director Zack Snyder overdoes the slow motion until it becomes comic, and the whole package aestheticizes violence, leaching its meaning, distancing us. (SH)

**ARE WE DONE YET?** (PG, 87 minutes) Following up on his execrable 2005 semi-hit "Are We There Yet?," Ice Cube once again turns the world off with a scowl in this remake of the classic 1948 Cary Grant comedy "Mr. Blandings

Builds His Dream House." Cube's Nick Persons, having survived a cross-country road trip with his girlfriend, Suzanne (Nia Long), and her two brats (Aleisha Allen and Philip Bolden), has married Suzanne. She announces she's pregnant — with twins. Nick decides to move his burgeoning family to a huge money pit outside Portland, Ore. What, you've seen "The Money Pit"? And "Mr. Blandings"? Then you've seen this movie, whose only additions are a talking raccoon, a manic real estate agent/contractor and a subplot involving sturgeon. (AH)

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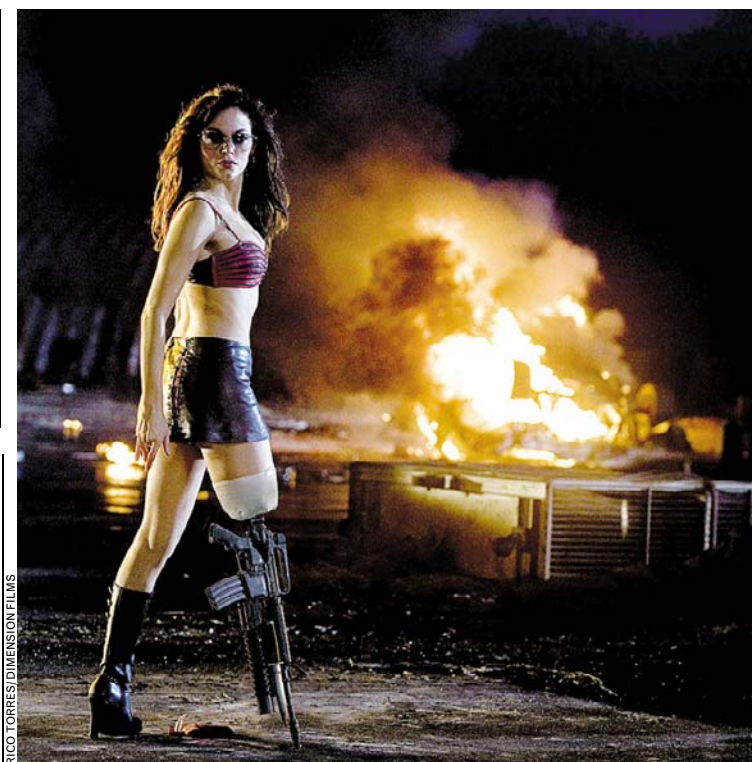
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**FLOP 'HOUSE':** Despite much hype — and wicked-cool effects — Robert Rodriguez and Quentin Tarantino's "Grindhouse" was a box office disappointment last week.

**AVENUE MONTAIGNE** (R, 100 minutes)

This delicately charming fable set in Paris offers the kind of experience we secretly crave when we visit any great city: meaningful encounters with its people. At the center is Jessica (an impishly radiant Cécile De France), a sweethearted gamin from the provinces who has just arrived in the capital. To this country girl, Paris is the city of luxury, a picture-postcard world of hotels, expensive restaurants and fine living. This vicarious sojourn in Paris leaves us with souvenirs that few real trips could ever produce. (DT)

**BLADES OF GLORY** (PG-13, 93 minutes)

Will Ferrell and Jon Heder sashay into the graceful world of figure skating, playing two competitors who have been banned from the rink and learn that the only loophole that might permit them back onto the ice is to skate as a pairs team. Lumbering, hairy Ferrell plays the overcompensating Chazz Michael Michaels. Heder plays Jimmy MacElroy, sligher, wisper, more graceful, more girly. The endless hilarity is visual: those awkward male bodies thrown into a gossamer flutter of swan-like routines, clumsily syncopating themselves to the fantasy that they are light and graceful when, as all can see and laugh at, they are hopeless, clueless and graceless. To see seemingly regular guys utterly stripped of dignity and defense is cruel enough, but crueller still is the laughter that you cannot seem to stop from rupturing your lungs and aorta. (SH)

**BREACH** (PG-13, 110 minutes) This film examines in microscopic detail the endgame of the manhunt for FBI mole Robert

Hanssen, who pleaded guilty in 2001 to spying for Russia. The acting is superb, particularly from the three principals: Ryan Phillippe as O'Neill, Chris Cooper as Hanssen and the great Laura Linney as Kate Burroughs, O'Neill's supervisor in the secret operation. (SH)

**BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA** (PG, 96 minutes) This beloved children's book has not just survived but thrived in its adaptation to the screen, its delicate combination of coming-of-age angst, tragedy and fantasy handled with assurance and taste by first-time live-action director Gabor Csupo. Audiences should be prepared for a major tragedy that strikes in the third act; the film winds up being a lesson, not just in love but in loss. But mostly the former, as Jess experiences for the first time that true love means building a world together. (AH)

**DEAD SILENCE** (R, 90 minutes) The creators of "Saw" turn their attention to a ghost story about a man who must uncover the truth behind a curse on his hometown that killed his wife and threatens his own life. (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

**DREAMGIRLS** (PG-13, 131 minutes) "Dreamgirls" arrives with more than its share of baggage; the hit Broadway musical, which opened in 1981, is such a cherished icon that it's taken 25 years for it to be made into a movie. But even with Jennifer Hudson's triumphant arrival and an overall fizzy mood of singing, dancing, pop nostalgia and camp, "Dreamgirls" is an uneven crowd pleaser. (AH)

**FIREHOUSE DOG** (PG, 111 minutes) Fire captain Connor Fahey (Bruce





FULL ON

## Reel Life

**THE FULL FRAME** Documentary Film Festival makes a stop at the Avalon Theatre this weekend. "Welcome to Nollywood" profiles the Nigerian film industry, which is the third largest after the U.S.'s and India's. "Hands of Che Guevara," pictured, looks at the deceased revolutionary fighter's iconography and profiles the people who risked their lives to save and preserve — no joke — his hands. "Revolution '67" reflects on the race riots in Newark, N.J., while "Knee Deep" chronicles a young man accused of killing his mother. "Uganda Rising" examines the country's turmoil even after dictator Idi Amin was deposed, and "Angels in the Dust" is a heart-wrenching look at a South African orphanage. (EXPRESS)

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Greenwood) is recovering from the morale-shattering loss of his brother, another firefighter. He has a son named Shane (Josh Hutcherson), also bummed by his uncle's death (but for a different reason). One day, into Shane's life comes some kind of spiffy bouncer. The mutt is Rexxx the wonder dog, the big Hollywood star who has been accidentally separated from his posh celeb's life. It doesn't take Shane long to figure out that he has the world's best firehouse dog: fast, smart, brave, loyal. The movie is best in depicting firehouse culture, and the movie has a couple of nice saves, always good for a tear or two. (SH)

**FIRST SNOW** (R, 101 minutes) This movie starts out with a compelling premise but melts all too quickly. Jimmy (Guy Pearce), a wheeler-dealer salesman forced to kill time in New Mexico while his car undergoes repair, sits down with a fortuneteller (J.K. Simmons), who tells him com-

elling things about his future. Jimmy should expect a financial windfall but also an early death — due to happen right about the first snow. Jimmy, who's forever hustling and unable to commit to his girlfriend, Deirdre (Piper Perabo), takes the fatal pronouncement — and life itself — seriously. Simmons — one of the screen's great character actors — steals every scene he's in. But director/co-writer Mark Fergus fails to sustain our interest. And a movie that clearly aims to be a cool, picturesque modern film noir becomes another moody banality. (DT)

**GHOST RIDER** (PG-13, 105 minutes) Nicolas Cage plays Johnny Blaze, a motorcycle stunt jock. He's a second-generationer, having learned the flying trade from his dad, who one day tried to fly too far and was brought low for it. But that was after Johnny inked a contract with Old Scratch, in order to save his dad from cancer. It was the devil's trick to get Johnny to sign, then take the old man via different means! In any event, years later, the devil (Peter Fonda) wants the due Johnny cheated him out of in the first

place; though a fraud, the contract is still binding. What follows are a lot of loud, chaotic action sequences for an audience acculturated more to NASCAR, tractor pulls and demo derbies. (SH)

**GRINDHOUSE** (R, 191 minutes) What truly grinds in this film, a Quentin Tarantino-Robert Rodriguez double feature, is your butt against the seat. Checking in at more than three hours, it's one grand self-indulgence calibrated exquisitely for an audience that pines for the gory double-feature pleasures of movie forms that petered out in the early '70s. That audience can be counted: two. Named Tarantino and Rodriguez. The films (Rodriguez directed the first, "Planet Terror," and Tarantino the second, "Death Proof") are bloody, stupid and buoyant in a kind of infantile way, celebrating mayhem, flesh and

gore. (SH)

**THE HILLS HAVE EYES 2** (R, 89 minutes) This is strictly a cash-in quickie that follows up the unusually vivid and compelling original remake (of a much earlier film) of a year ago. That 2006 variant, directed by French mad genius Alexandre Aja, was brisk, inventive, vivid, funny and frightening, and made a lot of bucks. This one, directed by Martin Weisz, is lazy, dull, unbelievable and dreary. Instead of a family at risk, Weisz deploys a National Guard squad to the rocky hills and tunnels of "Area 16" in the Southwest and follows as the inexperienced citizen soldiers are mowed down by guys in bad makeup jobs. Actually, it feels more like a follow-up to another excellent horror film, "The Descent," in that much of the action takes place in tunnels and caves

with mutants popping out of crevices or shadows to eat and drink poor Mary. The cast is unknown and uninteresting. It's just lazy and formulaic. (SH)

**THE HOAX** (R, 116 minutes) This film is based on the true story of Clifford Irving, whose "authorized autobiography" of reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes in the early 1970s was exposed as a fake. As the movie tells it, Irving (Richard Gere) was an opportunist, an adulterer and a scoundrel, with mounting bills and the ill-advised chutzpah to fool McGraw-Hill into giving him a million dollars for an empty promise. It's too bad the pristine simplicity of Irving's greed is not enough to galvanize the movie. At first, we're intrigued by how far Irving will take his ruse, but we never establish an emo-

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tional connection with him. Even though we're caught up in his derring-do as he beguiles entire meeting rooms of jaded publishers and editors, we're kept at a dissatisfying distance from Irving and the movie. (DT)

**THE HOST** (Unrated, 119 minutes) This Korean film has such a wide range of attributes—it's a comedy, it's a vivid evoca-

tion of a dysfunctional family that comes together in crisis, it's a wondrous homage to the courage of children, it's a biting critique of the government—that it's hard to recall that it's first and foremost a monster movie—an old-fashioned monster movie with a heart. (SH)

**I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE** (R, 94 minutes) This movie, which Chris Rock directs and stars in, chronicles the misadventures of the married man who seems to have it all and who is tempted to chuck it all for something more exciting but must ultimately decide which is more impor-

tant: frolic or family? Rock plays Richard Cooper: investment banker, suburban dad with a beautiful wife, beautiful kid, beautiful house, completely fulfilled except "I am so [bleeping] bored!" as he proclaims in voice-over. His wife, Brenda (Gina Torres), is just too tired too often. Still, he's a dreamer, not a hustler, until ... enter, stage left, on cue, bad girl. She's an old college friend, Nikki Tru (Kerry Washington). We watch, with comic rapture, as she becomes a larger part of his life, and we see the danger signs way before he does. At the same time,



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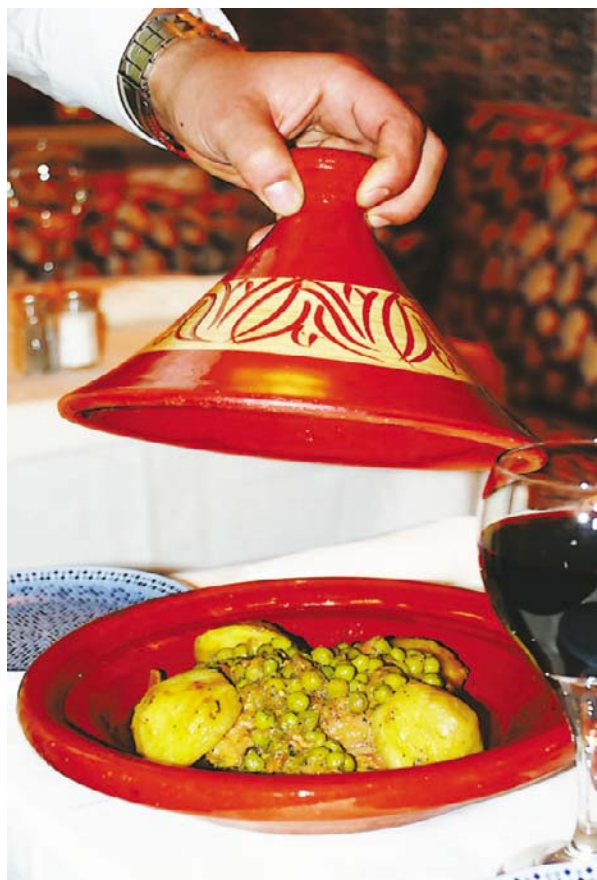
## Dreaming of Home

**THE SURPRISE WINNER** of the Berlin Film Festival's Golden Bear last year, beating out such big names as "Syriana" and "The New World," "Grbavica: The Land of My Dreams" is a disquieting, all-too-plausible film about a mother and daughter living in today's Sarajevo and burdened by the wartime past. Simultaneously heartbreaking and hopeful, it's about the human need for connection and the difficulties that get in the way. (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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the movie is hilarious. (SH)

**INTO GREAT SILENCE** (Unrated, 162 minutes) At first, the silence feels imposing as we watch this documentary and the monks of the Grand Chartreuse monastery praying, reading the Bible or simply sitting in quiet contemplation. But as we become acclimated to this muted atmosphere, something extraordinary happens: Our senses sharpen. The whispering of snow, the clearing of a throat and the clanging of a bell that summons the Carthusians to prayer reach our ears with a resounding purity. We may not experience their inner glories, but when we hear the monks' Gregorian chants, it's as though we have slipped into the back pews of Chartreuse. By luring us into their hushed world, filmmaker Philip Groening subtly provokes us into an active state of observation. It's hard to recall a similar documentary that brings viewers so palpably close to that sacred experience. (DT)

**JOURNEY FROM THE FALL** (R, 135 minutes) This film has been called the Vietnamese "Schindler's List," in that it documents a harrowing reality that befell a people. A family—the father a soldier in South Vietnam's long and losing war against the North Vietnamese

and the Viet Cong—wakes up one bitter morning to find the Americans gone and the new rulers making arrests. Father is sent to a reeducation camp, which is a pretty term for a concentration camp, and mother, wife and children are consigned to a slum. The movie, written and directed by Ham Tran and featuring amateur actors who went through all this, demonstrates the unquenchable human need for freedom as the family attempts separate escapes. A Hollywood version would conjure a nice, happy ending, but there are no happy endings. It's a tough sit, but its lessons shouldn't be forgotten. (SH)

**THE LAST MIMZY** (PG, 90 minutes) This movie is about the escalating adventures of two Seattle children who discover a mysterious black cube that proves to be a Pandora's box of scary dimension. Unfortunately, it triggers more intriguing ideas than it has the storytelling acumen to consolidate. When Noah Wilder (Chris O'Neil) and younger sister Emma (Rhiannon Leigh Wryn) open the box, out come various objects, including a shell encrusted with something crystalline, a square piece of glass with strange symbols and a stuffed bunny Emma immediately identifies as Mimzy. The objects



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afford both children extraordinary powers. Based on Lewis Padgett's short story, it references a confusing array of New Age and science-fiction ideas; it's hard to get a bead on what we're watching. The best element is a subplot involving Noah's spiritually obsessed teacher (Rainn Wilson) and his wacky girlfriend (Kathryn Hahn), whose bumbling eccentricities give the movie an emotional liveliness it otherwise lacks. (DT)

**THE LIVES OF OTHERS** (R, 137 minutes) This German movie begins in 1984, when the secret police, or Stasi, routinely bugged, tailed and intimidated its citizens. Plotted as tautly as a cop procedural but playing more like a modern allegory, this film personalizes its Orwellian world through the eyes of Gerd Wiesler (Ulrich Muehe), a frosty Stasi officer. To watch this film is not just to enjoy a fabulously constructed timepiece; it's to appreciate a deft cautionary tale. (DT)

**THE LOOKOUT** (R, 99 minutes) Former "3rd Rock From the Sun" cast member Joseph Gordon-Levitt made audiences sit up and take notice a few years ago when he made a startling star turn in the coming-of-age drama "Mysterious Skin." He's still good here, even if the film itself is a relatively trivial piece of pseudo-arty pulp. It's a heist flick with a twist: Gordon-Levitt plays former high school jock Chris Pratt, who is recovering from a serious brain injury. Trying to put his life back together, he's working as a janitor in a rural bank that happens to be the target of a bunch of ne'er-do-wells. The dour, downbeat story eventually spirals into grisly Grand Guignol and contrivance. Still, Gordon-Levitt is superb, and Jeff Daniels delivers a wry and wily performance as Pratt's blind roommate. (AH)

**MEET THE ROBINSONS** (G, 92 minutes) This animated feature (showing in 3-D in select theaters) is the story of an orphan named Lewis (voiced by Daniel Hansen and Jordan Fry) who yearns to be an inventor and is whisked into a futuristic world by a kid named Wilbur (Wesley Singerman). At first, it seems to be one of those founding dramas that perpetuates the most unfortunate myths about adoption. But everything—including that issue—turns out OK in the end, as director Stephen J. Anderson not only creates a visually arresting version of the future but a terrific story as well. The visuals are dominated by bright reds and turquoise, and the seeming cast of thousands includes a band of jazz-playing frogs. (AH)

**MUSIC AND LYRICS** (PG-13, 100 minutes) The setup of this movie is cleverly simple. Hugh Grant, as one Alex Fletcher, is one-half of a pop group of '80s fame, the unsuccessful half. Enter cute Sophie Fisher (Drew Barrymore). She's here to water the plants, here being his apartment, while he is in turmoil with a snarky young lyricist. The issue is that Alex has been asked by a New Age pop sensation to come up with a song for her video; it could be his ticket back to the bigs, but he has to do it by Friday, and working with this rude kid doesn't seem to be getting anyone anywhere. So why is the girl watering the plants coming up with better lines? Soon an extremely awkward

partnership is born. Yes, Sophie and Alex fall in love, and each of the performers has an undeniable adorability factor, but most of the issues are professional. I don't think the ending is up to the rest of the movie, but Grant and Barrymore are great together, and the movie has both zing and song. (SH)

**THE NAMESAKE** (PG-13, 117 minutes) This film begins in the late 1970s on a train to Calcutta when a young man, Ashoke Ganguli (Irfan Khan), meets a passenger, who encourages him to see the world. It is the combination of this meeting, the calamitous event that follows and the short story he is reading at the time that sets Ashoke's future.

After marrying Ashima (Tabu), he immigrates to America and starts a new life. Like the best-selling novel it's based on, this movie chronicles two generations of an immigrant family with compelling flow. Indian director Mira Nair and screenwriting partner Sooni Taraporevala do an exemplary job of telescoping the book's extensive narrative into a two-hour experience. Although we miss some of the finer details that made Jhumpa Lahiri's book so meaningful, we're moved by the movie's themes of cultural displacement and the power of chance. (DT)

**PREMONITION** (PG-13, 96 minutes) Sandra Bullock plays Linda Hanson, whose perfect life is suddenly thrown

out of whack when she's told her husband has died in a car crash—only to have him reappear the next day. Linda then embarks on the most scrambled week ever, as Monday and Thursday and Tuesday and Friday rearrange themselves in a Dali-like dreamscape of disasters, revelations and Linda's frantic attempts to rewrite the future (or is it the past?). Director Mennan Yapo does a good job keeping the incoherence coherent and capturing what's at the root of Linda's grief, and Bullock recalls her performance in "Crash" in a convincing serious turn. But the movie fatally falters in its last moments, with a happy-sad

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payoff that will leave audiences groaning. (AH)

**PRIDE** (PG, 104 minutes) This film follows an African-American swim team's bid for medals and self-respect. We are in Philadelphia as Jim Ellis (Terrence Howard), a talented swimmer, accepts the only job he can as a black coach in the mid-1970s: at a run-down sports center in a poor neighborhood. The Marcus Foster Recreation Center has become the seedy habitat of one

hermetic janitor (Bernie Mac), a drug dealer and a group of troubled teens that uses the basketball court. And nobody's using the indoor pool. Jim knows a community (and a personal) opportunity when he sees one. After coaxing those basketballers into the water, he builds a gang of Philly boys into a team good enough to face Main Line's finest. The movie, inspired by the true story of Ellis, has Hollywood formula practically stitched to its Speedo. But the characters and the actors who play them are so captivating, we're too entertained and charmed to notice. (BT)

**THE QUEEN** (PG-13, 99 minutes) England's

constitutional irony is the chilly but entertaining subtext of Stephen Frears' tragicomedy. The crisis begins in late August 1997, when Queen Elizabeth II (Helen Mirren) learns of Princess Diana's death. Mirren's finely calibrated performance reveals a complex woman coping with a bewildering world. (BT)

**THE REAPING** (R, 96 minutes) When rivers turn red, locusts swarm and cows shrivel into scorched beef, you know that either Al Gore was right or you're watching another bad supernatural thriller. In this case, you are suffering through this pretentious scarefest. Frogs, maggots and other familiar pestilences from the

Book of Exodus are terrorizing a small Louisiana town. We are supposed to decipher these strange phenomena through a frenzied barrage of freaky images, obvious computer-generated effects and dizzying editing. But the script only follows the clichés of the genre. (BT)

**REIGN OVER ME** (R, 124 minutes) This comedy-drama stars Adam Sandler as a man who was widowed Sept. 11, 2001, and still hasn't healed, and it is much better than its main elements would immediately suggest, thanks largely to Don Cheadle in yet another note-perfect performance. As Alan Johnson — a dentist who feels confined by his gorgeous wife (Jada

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Pinkett Smith) and family — Cheadle acts as genial, soft-spoken ballast to Sandler's Charlie Fineman, who has become stuck like a needle on one of his vinyl records, in a groove of isolated, unhinged denial. Sandler is a revelation, and even when the guy-bonding and 1970s pop nostalgia threaten to overplay the sentimentality, the movie resists cheesy uplift. (A-)

**SHOOTER** (R, 126 minutes) This film, based on a novel by Washington Post film critic Stephen Hunter, posits Mark Wahlberg as sniper Bob Lee Swagger, who begins the picture enmeshed in a military cock-up in Ethiopia. Three years later, nicely retired to the western woods with his dog and a rustic lodge, Swagger is called back into active duty to investigate the most likely spot for an assassination plot against the president. It turns out to be a setup, during which an Ethiopian archbishop is assassinated instead of the president. Why would anybody want to assassinate an Ethiopian archbishop? Therein lies our tale. A wounded Swagger is tagged as the assassin, and he manages to survive and triumph despite the

best efforts of the FBI. It's a story that can be transplanted from genre to genre, because we never grow tired of it, which is to say that it fits snugly into the paranoid drift of American movies, and the value we place on one honest man with a gun. (SCOTT EYMAN)

**TMNT** (PG, 90 minutes) This is the fourth in a series chronicling the adventures of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, who live under the streets of New York and come out to fight for truth, justice and pizza by night, but it's the first to arrive in complete computer-generated imagery. That's not bad, that's good: Seeing actual humans in the roles of mutated terrapins with samurai swords and bur-

glar masks was too much of a stretch. It's a far grittier, grungier kind of New York than in the previous films, and the detail has been worked out to a thoroughly impressive degree. Only on one issue does the movie flop: its plot. Or rather its plots, all 16. The upshot is that the film is technically superb and quite enjoyable. (S-)

**WILD HOGS** (PG-13, 105 minutes) This movie, starring John Travolta, William H. Macy, Martin Lawrence and Tim Allen, is another tale of almost-old men feeling so out of sorts that only a road trip can help. The boys decide to make that trip on that road, courtesy of some Milwaukee iron. Calling themselves

the Wild Hogs, the four Cincinnatians set out to recover whatever it is they lost. But the movie never rises to the level of the professional, much less the comic. The gags are witless and surprisingly gross. (S-)

**THE WIND THAT SHAKES THE BARLEY** (Unrated, 127 minutes) This film, set far outside Dublin in the 1920s, recounts the escalating violence between the IRA squaddies and the Black and Tans, the brutal, repressive domestic police force the British put in place to put the former down. We begin with the younger brother, Damien (Cillian Murphy), sick and tired of the strife, trying to get out and go to Britain. On his last day in the auld

sod, however, Damien and his buds are set upon by a group of Tans, and bullying soon becomes murder, as a young boy is shot for refusing to speak English. Director Ken Loach is full of astonishments. He stages raid and counter-raid, big gunfight and small, with stunning dynamism. He's as fluent as any Hollywood pro who has been fighting war on celluloid for a couple of decades. (S-)



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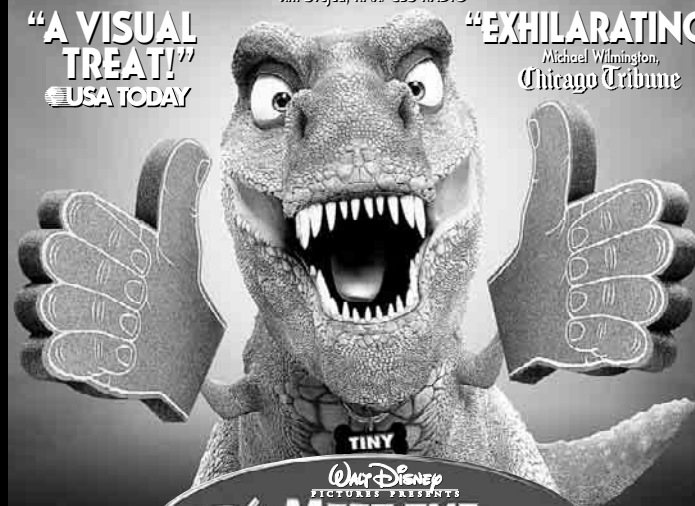
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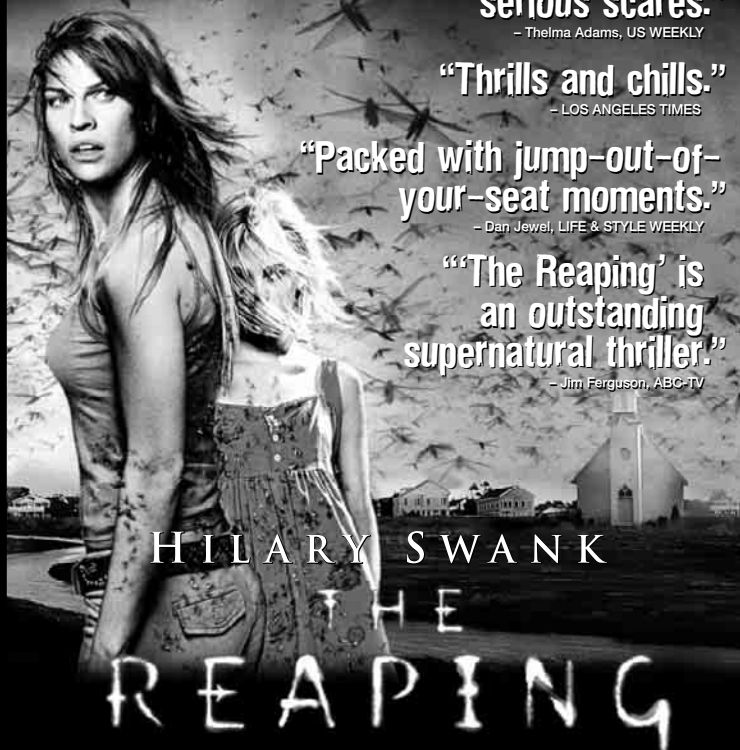
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FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) DIG (1215 250 540) 810  
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REDLINE (PG-13) DIG (255 520) 745 1015  
SLOW BURN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (215 445) 725 950  
GRINDHOUSE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 510) 910  
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THE REAPING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (400) 630 915 1145  
ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) DIG (135 205 410 440) 635 705 900 930  
FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) DIG (125 405) 650  
BLADES OF GLORY (PG-13) DIG (200 435) 715 940 1125  
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PERFECT STRANGER (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 150 250 440 540)  
DISTURBIA (PG-13) DIG (1155 140 240 430 530) 740 840 1025  
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GRINDHOUSE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210 410) 810  
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THE REAPING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (220 510) 800 1035  
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ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) DIG (1130 1245 145 310 400 550) 650

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TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES (PG) DIG (1135 200 445)  
SHOOTER (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1145 210 425)  
THE LAST MIMZY (PG) DIG (900) PM  
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WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (635) 910

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PERFECT STRANGER (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 400) 715 945 1215  
DISTURBIA (PG-13) DIG (1245 300 515) 800 1030  
PATHFINDER (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1145 215 500) 745 1015  
GRINDHOUSE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 400) 800 1200  
THE REAPING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 245 515) 815 1035  
FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) DIG (1130 145 415) 645  
ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) DIG (1215 230 445) 730 945 1205  
MEET THE ROBINSONS DIGITAL 3D- \$2.50 FEE FOR 3D (G) DIG (1130 200 430) 700 930 1150

BLADES OF GLORY (PG-13) DIG (1145 200 430) 715 930 1145  
TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES (PG) DIG (1200 215)  
SHOOTER (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 445) 745 1035  
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (915 1220)  
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (430) 700 930 1150

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DISTURBIA (PG-13) DIG (1250 335) 735 1005  
SLOW BURN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210 230 450) 740 1000  
PATHFINDER (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1140 400) 725 945  
GRINDHOUSE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 415) 820  
THE REAPING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1235 320) 700 930  
FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) DIG (105 345) 700  
ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) DIG (1200 220 445) 735 1020  
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**THE REAPING (R)** / 12:15, 2:45, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30  
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**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** (11:00 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:05, 5:00, 6:30, 7:15, 9:00  
**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** / 5:00, 7:15  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS (G)** 12:00, 2:30  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS (G)** / 12:00, 2:30  
**PRIDE (PG)** 9:40 PM  
**REIGN OVER ME (R)** (10:50 @ \$5), 1:50, 4:45  
**SHOOTER (R)** (10:25 @ \$5), 1:15, 4:15, 7:10, 10:00  
**TMNT (PG)** (10:20 @ \$5), 12:30, 3:00, 5:15, 7:25  
**PREMONITION (PG13)** 8:35, 10:55  
**300 (R)** (11:05 @ \$5), 1:55, 4:50, 7:35, 10:20  
**WILD HOGS (PG13)** 7:40, 10:25

**AMC SELECT**  
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**DIGITAL 3D**  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3-D (G)** (11:40 @ \$7), 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20

**DISTURBIA (PG13)** (11:00 @ \$5), 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40  
**PATHFINDER (R)** 12:50, 3:20, 5:50, 8:20, 10:50  
**PERFECT STRANGER (R)** (11:20 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:05  
**SLOW BURN (R)** (11:55 @ \$5), 2:15, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30  
**GRINDHOUSE (R)** 1:55, 6:05, 10:00  
**THE REAPING (R)** 12:20, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50  
**ARE WE DONE YET? (PG)** (11:05 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:05, 6:40, 9:10  
**FIREHOUSE DOG (PG)** 12:35, 3:15, 6:00  
**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** (10:50 @ \$5), 1:20, 3:45, 6:10, 8:40, 11:05  
**PRIDE (PG)** 8:35, 11:00  
**REIGN OVER ME (R)** 1:35, 6:50  
**SHOOTER (R)** (10:55 @ \$5), 2:05, 4:55, 7:50, 10:40  
**TMNT (PG)** (10:45 @ \$5), 1:05, 3:30, 5:45  
**PREMONITION (PG13)** (11:15 @ \$5), 4:30, 9:45  
**300 (R)** (11:45 @ \$5), 2:20, 5:15, 8:00, 10:10  
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**LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8**  
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**REIGN OVER ME (R)** 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50  
**BREACH (PG13)** 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40

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**THE LOOKOUT (R)** 12:20, 3:00, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10  
**AMAZING GRACE (PG)** 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30  
**THE QUEEN (PG13)** 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00

**MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12**  
800 Shopper's Way, Largo  
301-324-4220

**DISTURBIA (PG13)** 12:50, 3:20, 5:50, 8:15, 10:40  
**PATHFINDER (R)** 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 9:50  
**PERFECT STRANGER (R)** 12:00, 2:30, 5:30, 8:05, 10:35  
**SLOW BURN (R)** 12:10, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 10:00  
**GRINDHOUSE (R)** 2:00, 5:50, 9:35  
**THE REAPING (R)** 12:20, 3:00, 5:20, 7:50, 10:30  
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**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** 1:05, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:20  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS (G)** 12:40, 3:10, 5:40, 8:10, 10:35  
**PRIDE (PG)** 1:40, 4:30, 7:05, 9:45  
**SHOOTER (R)** 4:05, 9:40  
**TMNT (PG)** 12:00 PM  
**I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R)** 9:30 PM  
**300 (R)** 1:20, 6:50

**LOEWS DUPONT 5**  
1350 19th St.  
1-800-FANDANGO #711

**REDLINE (PG13)** 2:15, 5:15, 8:00, 10:15  
**GRINDHOUSE (R)** 12:30, 4:30, 8:30  
**300 (R)** 1:50, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40  
**BREACH (PG13)** 1:45, 4:45, 7:20, 9:50

**AMC SELECT**  
**AMAZING GRACE (PG)** 2:00, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10

**LOEWS UPTOWN 1**  
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1-800-FANDANGO #713

**GRINDHOUSE (R)** 2:00, 6:00, 10:00

**AMC TYSONS CORNER 16**  
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703-998-4262

**DIGITAL 3D**  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3-D (G)** (10:55 @ \$8), 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:40, 12:05

**DISTURBIA (PG13)** / (10:05 @ \$6), 12:35, 3:05, 5:35, 8:15, 10:50  
**PATHFINDER (R)** / (10:30 @ \$6), 12:55, 3:25, 5:55, 8:30, 10:55  
**PERFECT STRANGER (R)** / (10:50 @ \$6), 1:35, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50, 12:30  
**SLOW BURN (R)** / (10:00 @ \$6), 12:15, 2:35, 4:55, 7:35, 9:55, 12:15  
**GRINDHOUSE (R)** / (11:00 @ \$6), 3:00, 7:05, 9:35, 11:00  
**THE REAPING (R)** / (10:40 @ \$6), 1:00, 3:20, 5:50, 8:25, 10:45  
**ARE WE DONE YET? (PG)** / (10:20 @ \$6), 12:40, 3:10, 5:40, 8:10, 10:30  
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**MEET THE ROBINSONS (G)** 12:20, 2:40  
**SHOOTER (R)** (10:45 @ \$6), 1:40, 4:45, 7:45, 10:35  
**TMNT (PG)** (10:15 @ \$6), 12:30, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30, 11:40  
**PREMONITION (PG13)** (10:00 @ \$6), 2:55, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00, 12:20  
**300 (R)** (10:35 @ \$6), 1:20, 4:05, 7:05, 9:45, 12:25  
**WILD HOGS (PG13)** (10:25 @ \$6), 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:05, 10:25

**AMC SELECT**  
**THE NAMESAKE (PG13)** (11:05 @ \$6), 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:40

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703-998-4AMC

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**PATHFINDER (R)** / 1:40, 4:10, 7:20, 10:20  
**PERFECT STRANGER (R)** / 1:35, 4:25, 7:10, 10:00  
**REDLINE (PG13)** 1:50, 5:10, 7:50, 10:35  
**SLOW BURN (R)** / 1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:50  
**GRINDHOUSE (R)** / 12:30, 5:00, 9:30  
**THE REAPING (R)** / 1:30, 4:40, 7:30, 10:10  
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**FIREHOUSE DOG (PG)** 1:35, 4:25  
**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** 1:45, 5:20, 7:50, 10:30  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS (G)** 12:50, 3:20, 5:45, 8:15, 10:40  
**PRIDE (PG)** 7:00, 9:40  
**TMNT (PG)** 12:50, 3:15, 5:40  
**300 (R)** 8:00, 10:40

**AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8**  
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**REIGN OVER ME (R)** 1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 9:50

**AMC SELECT**  
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**THE LOOKOUT (R)** 12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 9:55

**LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7**  
2772 South Randolph  
703-671-0910 801

**THE HOAX (R)** 1:40, 4:10, 7:00, 9:20  
**AFTER THE WEDDING (R)** 2:20, 4:50, 7:30, 9:50

**AMC SELECT**  
**THE NAMESAKE (PG13)** 1:30, 2:30, 4:20, 5:00, 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:00  
**AMAZING GRACE (PG)** 2:10, 4:20, 7:20, 9:30  
**THE LIVES OF OTHERS (R)** 2:00, 4:40, 8:00  
**THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R)** 1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

**LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5**  
North Bethesda  
1-800-FANDANGO #741

**DISTURBIA (PG13)** 2:00, 4:40, 7:25, 10:00  
**PERFECT STRANGER (R)** 2:05, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15  
**GRINDHOUSE (R)** 2:00, 5:35, 9:25  
**THE REAPING (R)** 2:15, 4:35, 7:15, 9:35  
**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** 2:10, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20

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Jenifer and Wisconsin  
202-537-9553

**DISTURBIA (PG13)** / 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40  
**PATHFINDER (R)** / 1:00, 3:30, 5:50, 8:10, 10:30  
**PERFECT STRANGER (R)** / 2:00, 4:40, 7:15, 9:50  
**THE REAPING (R)** / 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10  
**BLADES OF GLORY (PG13)** 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20  
**REIGN OVER ME (R)** 1:30, 7:20  
**SHOOTER (R)** 4:30, 10:05  
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**FIREHOUSE DOG (PG)** 1:00, 3:30, 6:05  
**PRIDE (PG)** 8:25, 10:45  
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**GRINDHOUSE (R)** 12:00, 4:45, 8:30  
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**\*PERFECT STRANGER (R)** 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:25  
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**300 (R)** 1:15, 4:05, 7:35, 10:15  
**SHOOTER (R)** 1:05, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50  
**WILD HOGS (PG-13)** 1:10, 3:40, 6:55, 9:35  
**I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R)** 12:10, 2:35, 7:50  
**THE HILLS HAVE EYES II (R)** 5:20, 10:05  
**DEAD SILENCE (R)** 7:15, 9:40  
**THE LAST MIMZY (PG)** 10:20  
**REIGN OVER ME (R)** 10:00

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**FIREHOUSE DOG (PG)** 4:30, 7:10, 9:35  
**MEET THE ROBINSONS (G)** 3:00, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30

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**HIT THE DECKS:** Thievery Corporation returns to spin at its home base on Saturday.

## Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

### FRIDAY

There may be a decent-sized fraternity of artists who tour as frequently, sell as many records or have amassed as many fans as **LOUIE VEGA**, but a rare few have dominated and transcended the dance music world as thoroughly as he has. Each decade of Vega's career brings new landmark accomplishments: He started in the '80s coming up through New York's nightlife scene, building the template for what we know as soulful house music today. Within a few years, Vega partnered with Kenny "Dope" Gonzalez to form Masters at Work, and over a 20-year period the duo has dropped a dizzying amount of defining releases, including the landmark "Nuyorican Soul" album. It wasn't until 2004 that Vega decided to share his full solo vision on the life-affirming "Elements of Life" album. Masses of dance disciples will be descending on **FIVE** tonight for one of his infrequent sets in Washington. His previous sets at Five have skewed away from the Latin and Brazilian textures and toward the big-room, high-energy end of the spectrum.

Canadian duo **JUNIOR BOYS** are nearly in a class of their own when it comes to giving electronic music a soul. The band's simple, understated beats, recalling '80s icons Depeche Mode and OMD, make for perfect comedown music after a long weekend, but you'll have to

make do with the group's show at the **BLACK CAT** kicking off the weekend instead. Singer Jeremy Greenspan's breathy cooing gives everything a distinctly human feel, and as songs like "In the Morning" prove, Greenspan and collaborator Matt Didemus can cook up some pretty catchy hooks, as well. For everyone out there who thinks that Air is the best band making slick, sensual down-tempo electronic music, tonight's show might very well change your mind.

There's a happy hour for a good cause in Bethesda tonight, as the **BRAIN TUMOR SOCIETY** is hosting a fundraiser at **UNION JACK'S** between 6 and 9. A \$10 donation is good for one free drink (rail or beer), as well as \$2 draft specials.

### SATURDAY

We love it when the **THIEVERY CORPORATION** guys make their semianual return to the DJ booth at **EIGHTEENTH STREET LOUNGE**. These events tend to be on the down-low — possibly because ESL never updates its Web site — but we don't mind leaking the info. Just dress to impress and get to the lounge early, because the last few times we've gone, the line was down the block before Eric Hilton dropped a needle on the first record. Once inside, though, the whole place was grooving to a mix of vintage funk and soulful Latin rhythms, and the dimly lit Gold Room was buzzing with dancers. DJ Case will also be spinning some tunes. (If you want to make sure you get in, some table reservations may be available; call 703-309-2156 for more information.)

 An extended version of "Nightlife Agenda" is always available at [www.washingtonpost.com/cityguide](http://www.washingtonpost.com/cityguide)



**JUDGING LEWIS:** “Daily Show” veteran and Silver Spring native Lewis Black will host Comedy Central’s “The Root of All Evil,” a faux-courtroom series that features contestants debating oddball topics with their comedian lawyers.



# Television

## ON TV THIS WEEKEND

## NO PAIN FOR LA FEMME JANE

What kind of show do you get when you combine story elements from "Blade Runner," "Heroes" and "La Femme Nikita," produce it on sets that look like hand-me-downs from a "24" knock-off and give it a title that sounds like a throwaway tune written by Lou Reed on a bad day? **PAINKILLER JANE** (Fri., 10 p.m., Sci Fi) stars Kristanna Loken in the title role. She's a surly DEA agent with a rather large chip on her shoulder. Something, it seems, to do with the early death of her mother. But let's not get carried away. "Jane" is not about 3-D character development. That would only get in the way of the nonstop and only occasionally coherent action and violence. After a drug bust goes down



**STILL BLADE RUNNING:** Kristanna Loken strikes a pose as Painkiller Jane.

badly, or rather weirdly, Jane finds herself recruited by a shadowy government agent who is on the hunt for “Neurons”—genetically unusual humans with strange skill sets. Neurons have unique powers, like the ability to induce hallucinations, or read minds, or make people do really dreadful things like throw themselves from the 46th floor of a skyscraper.

## STAY IN, GEEK OUT

**STARGATE SG-1** (Fri., 8 p.m., Sci Fi), the longest-running sci-fi series in TV history, enters its final 10-episode season.

**STARGATE ATLANTIS** (Fri., 9 p.m., Sci Fi) enters a new season, with Jack O'Neill (Richard Dean Anderson) and Richard Woolsey (Robert Picardo) having survived the Replicators' bloody coup.

L'CHAIM, MR. HENRY!

Season two of **THE HENRY ROLLINS SHOW** (Fri., 9:30 p.m., IFC) kicks off from Israel, where the former Black Flag singer chats with Israelis about their country's politics, religion and pop culture.

## NEW SPONGEBOB, STILL SQUARE

**SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS** (Fri., 8 p.m., Nickelodeon) goes to the heart of one of the show's great rivalries, the lifelong feud between Plankton and Mr. Krabs. A three-hour "SpongeBob" (Fri., 5 p.m.) sets up the showdown.

## THE CULT OF YOUTH

It's not just the kids on "Fame" who want to live forever. Longevity is here to stay. And as some baby boomers age, they're going to bore the rest of us with their high-priced pursuit of youth. Dr. Sanjay Gupta takes an hour-long look at "Chasing Life" on **SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT** (Sat., 8 p.m., CNN).

## DEATH RACE 2007

The new series **DRIVE** (Sun., 8 p.m., Fox) combines elements of "Lost" and "Prison Break" and just a few whiffs of the old film "Death Race 2000." Strangers from diverse backgrounds are invited to engage in an illegal cross-country road race. They drive beat-up pickups, minivans and muscle cars in pursuit of a grand prize of \$32 million. Alex (Nathan Fillion) joins the race because he thinks his kidnapped wife may be at the finish line. John (Dylan Baker), a nerdy scientist, believes this may be his



**CAN IT GET ANY TRACTION?** "Drive" speeds along like a "Lost" mystery.

last chance to bond with his rebel teen daughter, Violet (Emma Stone). Wendy (Melanie Lynskey), the mother of a newborn, sets out on an unlikely high-octane adventure. Is she running from an abusive husband? Or toward something else?

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	WJLA	7	News		ABC Wild News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Grey's Anatomy							(:01) Wife Swap "Boyd/Milorey"			20/20			News			(:35) Nightline (N)	
	WUSA	9	News		Evening News	News	Entertainment	Ghost Whisperer "A Grave Matter"							Shark "Teacher's Pet"			NUMB3RS "Hardball"			News			Late Show	
	WDCA	20	Scrubs		Scrubs	MLB Baseball Washington Nationals at New York Mets. From Shea Stadium in Flushing, N.Y. (Live)												★ "RoboCop 3" (1993) Robert John Burke, Nancy Allen, Rip Torn.							
	WMPT	22	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Business Rpt.	State Circle	Washington Week	NOW (N)							Auschwitz: Inside the Nazi State			(Part 3 of 3)			Roadshow FYI			Smart Travels	
	WETA	26	BBC World News		Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Washington Week	Inside Wash.	NOW (N)						WETA First Look			Grace Kelly: The American Princess			Ingrid Bergman Remembered				
	WHUT	32	White House		Tavis Smiley	BBC World News	Moneywise	Evening Exch	Engelbert: Totally Amazing									BBC World News			Tavis Smiley			Charlie Rose (N)	
	WDCW	50	My Wife and Kids		My Wife and Kids	Friends	Friends	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N)										Will & Grace			Will & Grace			Sex and the City	
BASIC CABLE	A&E		Cold Case Files "Killer in the County"		Cold Case Files			CSI: Miami "Bunk"							CSI: Miami "Forced Entry"			Intervention "Dillon" (N)						CSI: Miami "Money Plane"	
	Animal		The Crocodile Hunter Diaries		The Planet's Funniest Animals (N)			Meerkat Manor	Meerkat Manor						Growing Up... "Moose" Baby moose.			Miami Animal Police						The Planet's Funniest Animals	
	BET		106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Top 10 countdown. (N)		College Hill			"Full Clip" (2004, Action) Busta Rhymes, Xzibit, Suyun Kim. Premiere.										Rides, Rims & Runways					Freestyle	Irreplaceable	
	Bravo		Friday Night Lights		Shear Genius			★★ "Beverly Hills Cop III" (1994) Eddie Murphy. Premiere.										★★ "Beverly Hills Cop III" (1994) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold.							
	Comedy		"Police Academy 4: Patrol"		Scrubs	Scrubs "My Fault"	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Chappelle's Show	South Park								Amazing Jonathan			★★★ "Shaun of the Dead" (2004)				
	Court		Hollywood Heat		Cops "Arizona"	Cops "Arizona"	Video Justice	Video Justice	Forensic Files	Forensic Files								The Wrong Man? "Double Exposure"			Dunne: Power, Privilege & Justice				
	Discovery		It Takes a Thief "Ladies of the Lake"		I Shouldn't Be Alive "A Walk in Hell"		Rogue Nature	Chimpanzee behavior.	Man vs. Wild	The heat in Moab, Utah.								Deadliest Catch			A fishing boat sinks.			Stunt Junkies	
	DISCH		Code Blue "Long Hours, Late Nights"		Impact: Stories of Survival		Diagnosis: Unknown		Dr. G: Medical Examiner									Skeleton Stories						Diagnosis: Unknown	
	Disney		Life With Derek		That's So Raven	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	Cory in the House	★★ "Big Fat Liar" (2002) Frankie Muniz.								(:35) ★★ "Big Fat Liar" (2002) Frankie Muniz.							
	E!		(5:00) ★★★ "The Big Lebowski"		E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Mean Girls: True Hollywood Story	Saturday Night Live	Britney Spears.	The Soup News.								Cohen-Borat			E! News			The Daily 10	
	FX		King of the Hill		King of the Hill	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	The Riches									The Riches						The Riches	
	HGTV		Look What I Did!		Extreme Homes	If Walls Could	House Hunters	Designed to Sell	Buy Me	24 Hour Design	Curb Appeal (N)							House Hunters			House Hunters			Parents House	
	Family		7th Heaven "Monkey Business Deux"		Smallville "Fever"		★★★ "Beetlejuice" (1988, Comedy) Michael Keaton, Alec Baldwin.											Whose Line?			Whose Line?			The 700 Club	
	History		Mail Call		Our Generation	Modern Marvels: Stock Exchange	Weapons of Destruction		Dogfights									Mail Call (N)						Mega Movers "Oil Machines"	
	Lifetime		Reba		Reba	Still Standing	Still Standing	Reba		"When Secrets Kill" (1997, Drama) Gregory Harrison, Roxanne Hart.														Desperate Housewives	
	MTV		Exposed		Punk'd	Scarred	Pimp My Ride	Nick Cannon	Nick Cannon	★★★ "8 Mile" (2002, Drama) Eminem. A Detroit man tries to achieve success as a rapper.															
	NICK		SpongeBob		SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Full House			Full House			Fresh Prince
SCI FI		Heroes "Unexpected"			Mythology of Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1 "The Quest" (N)	Stargate SG-1 "The Quest" (N)	Stargate Atlantis "The Return" (N)									Painkiller Jane "Pilot"						Stargate SG-1 "The Quest"		
SPIKE		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	UFC's Ultimate Fight Night															Prisoners Out of Control		
TBS		Seinfeld		Seinfeld	Every-Raymond	MLB Baseball Florida Marlins at Atlanta Braves. From Turner Field in Atlanta. (Subject to Blackout) (Live)												Friends			Friends			Every-Raymond	
TLC		Flip That House		Flip That House	Take Home Chef	Take Home Chef	Wild Weddings		What Not to Wear "Leigh W." (N)								What Not to Wear: Behind the Seams			What Not to Wear "Leigh W."					
TNT		Law & Order "Formerly Famous" (N)		Law & Order "Veteran's Day" (N)	★★★ "Air Force One" (1997) Harrison Ford. Terrorists hijack the president's plane.				★★★ "Payback" (1999, Action) Mel Gibson.																
USA		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Beast"																					
VHI		The Drug Years "Break on Through"		The Drug Years "Feed Your Head"																					
SPAN	TELEM		Daniela		Noti-Telemndo	Dame Chocolate		Marina							Zorro - La Espada y la Rosa			Decisiones			Noti-Telemndo			Titulares	
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SPORTS	ESPN		SportsCenter (Live)			NBA Shootaround		NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers at Miami Heat. From the American Airlines Arena in Miami.										NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Phoenix Suns.							
	ESPN2		Car Auction		NASCAR Now	Contender Challenge		NFL Live		SportsCenter					Boxing Friday Night Fights. Ruben Galvan vs. Zab Judah. From Tunica Miss.						SportsCenter (Live)				
	CSN		Washington		SportsNite (Live)		NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Atlanta Hawks. From Philips Arena in Atlanta. (Live)								SportsNite (Live)						Best Damn Sports Show Period				
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	FNC		Special Report (Live)		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (Live)								Hannity & Colmes (Live)			On the Record-Van Susteren			The O'Reilly Factor				
	MSNBC		Tucker		Hardball		Countdown With Keith Olbermann								Predator Raw: The Unseen Tapes			MSNBC Investigates Miami prisons.			MSNBC Investigates				
MOVIES	AMC		★★ "The Quick and the Dead" (1995, Western) Sharon Stone. 'R'					★ "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt. 'PG-13'										★ "Friday the 13th Part 3" (1982, Horror) Dana Kimmell. Premiere. 'R'							
	TCM		★★★ "Show Boat" (1951, Musical) Kathryn Grayson. 'NR'					★★★ "The Barefoot Executive" (1971) Kurt Russell. 'G'							(:45) ★★★ "A Face in the Crowd" (1957, Drama) Andy Griffith, Patricia Neal. 'NR'										
	HBO		★★★ "Madagascar" (2005) Voices of Ben Stiller. 'PG'				★★ "The Man" (2005) Samuel L. Jackson. 'PG-13'								★★ "Final Destination 3" (2006, Horror) 'R'			Entourage			Real Time With Bill Maher				
	MAX		(:15) ★★ "Star Wars: Episode I -- The Phantom Menace" (N)			★★ "Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones" (2002) Ewan McGregor. 'PG'									★★★ "Star Wars: Episode III -- Revenge of the Sith" (2005) 'PG-13'										
	SHOW		(:15) ★★ "Jiminy Glick in Lalawood" (2004) Martin Short. iTV. 'R'				This Am. Life	This Am. Life							The Tudors "Episode 2" (iTV)			Penn & Teller			Penn & Teller			Debbie Does	
	TMC		(:53) ★★ "The Big White" (2005)			(:15) ★★ "Sahara" (2005, Adventure) Matthew McConaughey, Steve Zahn. 'PG-13'									★★ "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler. 'PG-13'								Learning Curve		
	STARZ!		"Dumb and Dumber: When Harry"		★★★ "Glory Road" (2006, Drama) Josh Lucas, James Aaron. 'PG'				★★ "Click" (2006, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kate Beckinsale. 'PG-13'									(10:50) ★★ "Derailed" (2005) 'R'							
ENCORE		(:05) ★★ "A Lot Like Love" (2005) Ashton Kutcher. 'PG-13'			★★ "Flightplan" (2005) Jodie Foster. 'PG-13'			(:45) ★★ "The Fog" (2005, Horror) Tom Welling. 'PG-13'															Tango & Cash 'R'		



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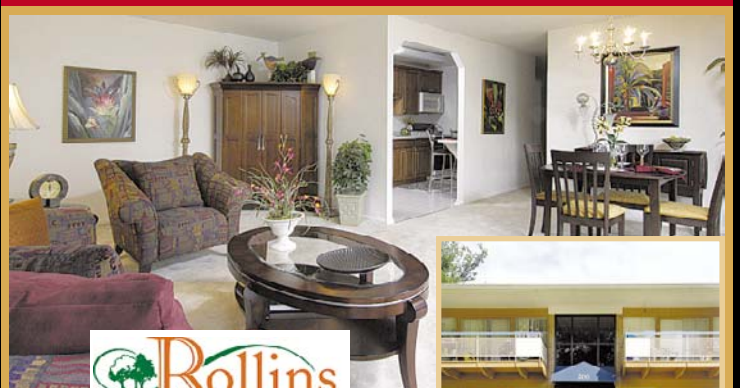
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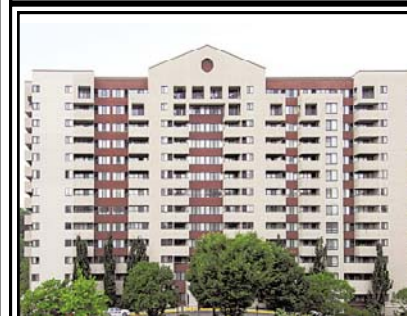
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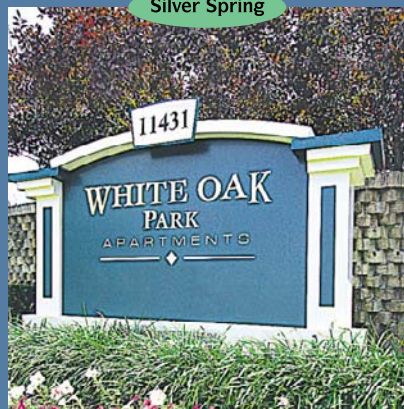
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## Literature

### Kurt Vonnegut's writings captured a country's confusion

In books such as "Slaughterhouse-Five," "Cat's Cradle," and "Hocus Pocus," Kurt Vonnegut mixed the bitter and funny with a touch of the profound.

Vonnegut, regarded by many critics as a key influence in shaping 20th-century American literature, died Wednesday at 84. He had suffered brain injuries after a recent fall at his Manhattan home, said his wife, photographer Jill Krentz.

In a statement, Norman Mailer hailed Vonnegut as "a marvelous writer with a style that remained undeniably and imperturbably his own. ... I would salute him — our own Mark Twain."

"He was sort of like nobody else," said another fellow author, Gore Vidal. "Kurt was never dull."

Vonnegut's works — more than a dozen novels plus short stories, essays and plays — contained elements of social commentary, science fiction and autobiography.

Vonnegut lectured regularly, exhorting audiences to think for themselves and delighting in barbed commentary against the institutions he felt were dehumanizing people.

"He was a man who combined a wicked sense of humor and sort of steady moral compass, who was always sort of looking at the big picture of the things that were most important," said Joel Bleifuss, editor of *In These Times*, a liberal magazine that featured Vonnegut articles.

Some of Vonnegut's books were banned and burned for alleged obscenity. He took on censorship as an active member of the PEN writers' aid group and the American Civil Liberties Union.

The American Humanist Association, which promotes individual freedom, rational thought and scientific skepticism, made him its honorary president.

Like "Catch-22," by Vonnegut's friend Joseph Heller, "Slaughterhouse-Five" was a World War II novel embraced by opponents of the

**“ [He had] a style that remained undeniably his own. I would salute him — our own Mark Twain.”**

NORMAN MAILER, AUTHOR

Vietnam War, linking a so-called "good war" to the unpopular conflict of the 1960s and '70s.

Despite his commercial success, Vonnegut battled depression throughout his life, and in 1984, he attempted suicide with pills and alcohol, joking later about how he botched the job.

"I will say anything to be funny, often in the most horrible situations," he said.

Vonnegut was born on Nov. 11, 1922, in Indianapolis and studied chemistry at Cornell University before joining the Army. His mother killed herself just before he left for Germany during World War II, where he was quickly taken prisoner during the Battle of the Bulge. He was being held in Dresden when Allied bombs firebombed the German city.

"The firebombing of Dresden explains absolutely nothing about why I write what I write and am what I am," Vonnegut wrote in "Fates Worse Than Death," his 1991 autobiography of sorts.

But he spent 23 years struggling to write about the ordeal, which he survived by huddling with other POWs inside an underground meat locker labeled slaugh-

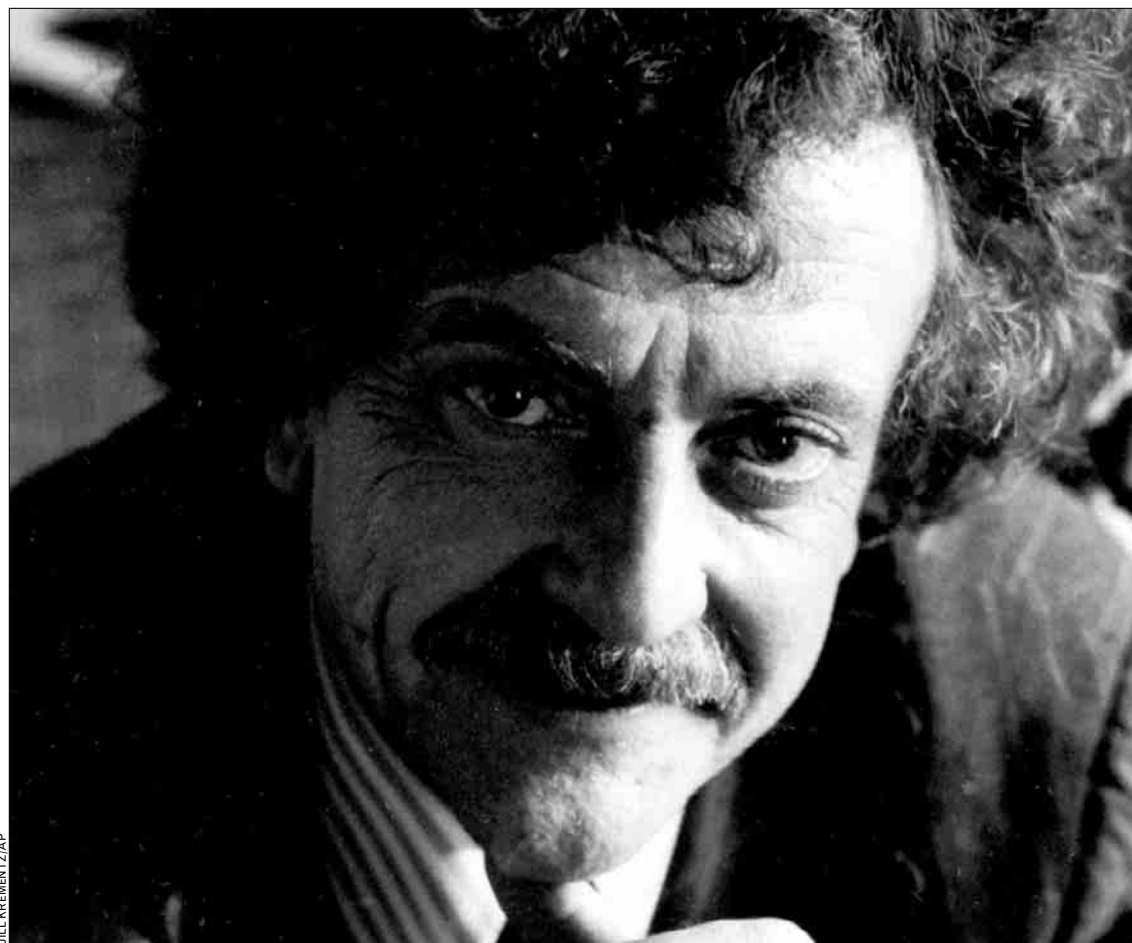
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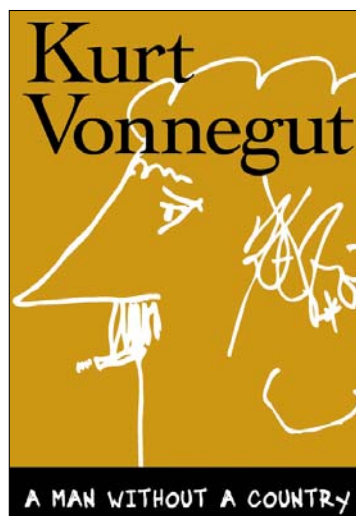
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DIFFERENT DRUMMER: Kurt Vonnegut is famous for his satirical works such as "Slaughterhouse-Five" and "Cat's Cradle."

# The Iconoclast



terhouse-five.

The novel that emerged, in which Pvt. Pilgrim is transported from

Dresden by time-traveling aliens, was published at the height of the Vietnam War, and solidified his reputation as an iconoclast.

Critics ignored him at first, then denigrated his deliberately bizarre stories and disjointed plots as haphazardly written science fiction. But his novels became cult classics, especially "Cat's Cradle" in 1963, in which scientists create "ice-nine," a crystal that turns water solid and destroys Earth.

He retired from novel writing in his later years, but continued to publish short articles. He had a best-seller in 2005 with "A Man Without a Country," a collection of his nonfiction, including jabs at the Bush administration ("upper-crust C-students who know no history

or geography") and the uncertain future of the planet.

He called the book's success "a nice glass of champagne at the end of a life."

Vonnegut once said that of all the ways to die, he'd prefer to go out in an airplane crash on the peak of Mount Kilimanjaro. He often joked about the difficulties of old age.

"When Hemingway killed himself, he put a period at the end of his life; old age is more like a semicolon," Vonnegut said.

"My father, like Hemingway, was a gun nut and was very unhappy late in life. But he was proud of not committing suicide. And I'll do the same, so as not to set a bad example for my children."

CRISTIAN SALAZAR (AP)



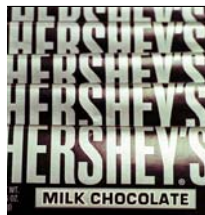

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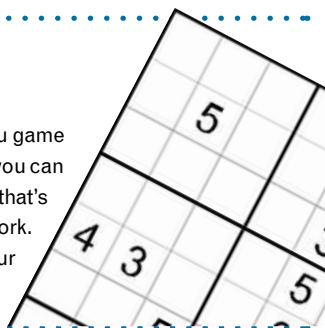
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## comment board

“There should also be a formal apology from Jesse Jackson and his gang for running to judgment against those three young men. I hope the young men take the girl to civil court and sue her for all the pain and suffering she has caused, along with the prosecutor!”

**JOHN**, COMMENTING ON THE PUBLIC OUTRAGE DISPLAYED BY MANY WHEN THREE DUKE LACROSSE PLAYERS WERE FIRST BROUGHT UP ON RAPE CHARGES MORE THAN A YEAR AGO.



“Let's be real, people. We know that these spoiled rich kids would've been capable of doing this, and the general consensus is that they did and paid the stripper off. This is just another example of the rich purchasing justice.”

**REALISTINAMERICA**, COMMENTING ON WHETHER THE DROPPING OF CHARGES REALLY VINDICATES THE DUKE LACROSSE PLAYERS.

## poll center

### TODAY'S QUESTION

**Has the Don Imus controversy been overblown?**

1. Yes
2. No

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

**Should D.A. Mike Nifong be disbarred for the Duke case?**

AS OF 5 P.M. THURSDAY. NOT A SCIENTIFIC POLL.



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“The troops are being sent not into a necessary and noble war but into the occupation of a country that has more than enough of the occupation.”

**THE-REACTION.BLOGSPOT.COM** SAYS THE CONTINUED AMERICAN PRESENCE IN IRAQ WILL ONLY WORSEN THE SITUATION IN THE WAR-TORN COUNTRY.



“**THEN I GOT UP**, roused my slumbering computer into action and found out via e-mail that Kurt Vonnegut had died at the age of 84. ... [E]very once in a while, I hear of a writer who dies, and it hits me harder than I was expecting. ... And now, in the middle of the night, with the bilateral storms both inside and outside my head, I'm thinking about the cross-country road trip on which I read 'Slaughterhouse-Five.'”

**VERITOGGRAPHY.COM** REMEMBERS WRITER KURT VONNEGUT, WHO DIED WEDNESDAY.

“**[B]ut his donations** might not have much staying power if all that cash doesn't produce a slow, steady uptick in his poll numbers.”

**AMERICANDETOCQUEVILLE.BLOGSPOT.COM** SAYS IF REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE MITT ROMNEY DOESN'T GAIN TRACTION IN THE POLLS, ALL HIS FUNDRAISING EFFORTS WILL HAVE BEEN FOR NAUGHT.

“**I WALKED INTO** class tonight and there was a cute guy sitting in the back. I was probably scowling simply because I was at school, so, though I (definitely!) noticed him, I quickly looked away and sat down in my chair facing the front of the classroom. ... I forgot to flirt!”

**CHARLOTTEHARRIS.WORDPRESS.COM** IS REDISCOVERING THE ART OF COURTSHIP AND FLIRTATION IN CLASS.

“**I FEEL LIKE SINGING** Sunshine Anderson's song 'Heard It All Before': 'District, Pr. George's Police to Team Up; Rash of Killings Along County Line Prompts Renewed Partnership to Fight Crime.'”

AFTER READING A METRO SECTION ARTICLE IN THURSDAY'S WASHINGTON POST, **NATIVESON.WORDPRESS.COM** SAYS THE JOINT CROSS-BORDER POLICING EFFORT SOUNDS SIMILAR TO PAST EFFORTS.

## Live Online

### Vonnegut Legacy

Washington Post Book World columnist **MICHAEL DIRDA** was online Thursday and discussed the life, work and legacy of author Kurt Vonnegut, who died Wednesday at 84.



**How is Vonnegut now perceived among educators and critics? Is "Slaughterhouse-Five" considered an American classic?**

“Slaughterhouse-Five” is usually banned for its sexual content —

the aliens do bring Billy Pilgrim the fabulous Montana Wildhack. As “Catcher in the Rye” is now part of many high school curricula, I suspect “Slaughterhouse” may be as well. It's certainly the sort of book that would provoke terrific class discussions.

**What would be a good introduction to Vonnegut for someone who's always had him on his/her "to read" list, but, sadly, never quite got around to him?** Probably the short stories in “Welcome to the Monkey House.” Start with the widely known classic “Harrison Bergeron,” set in a world that aims to achieve perfect equality — those who are inherently graceful are burdened with chains; those who are

beautiful must wear masks.

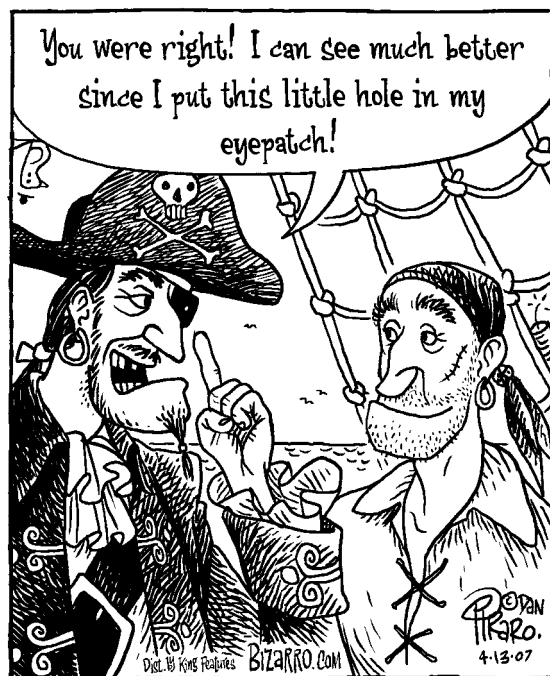
**Of all his most quotable lines, my favorite was always: "We have to be continually jumping off cliffs and developing our wings on the way down." I heard him say it at a graduation speech in 2005, but I think it's from one of his essays as well.** My own favorite quote is: “Like so many Americans, she was trying to construct a life that made sense from things she found in gift shops.” It's beautifully set up, funny and, sadly, aching true.

**TODAY ON LIVE ONLINE:** Onion Washington editor Chris Mincher discusses the launch of the satire newspaper in D.C. at 11 a.m. | [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://washingtonpost.com/liveonline).

# DO

**ACT LIKE A CHICKEN.** Scientists have now gathered more proof that dinosaurs' evolution may have led to the chicken (so we know what they tasted like, too). Learn more about the connection to birds (<http://learnamnh.org/courses/dinosaurs2.php>) so you can crow about “Jurassic Park” facts.



Bizarro | *Dan Piraro***Cornered** | *Mike Baldwin*

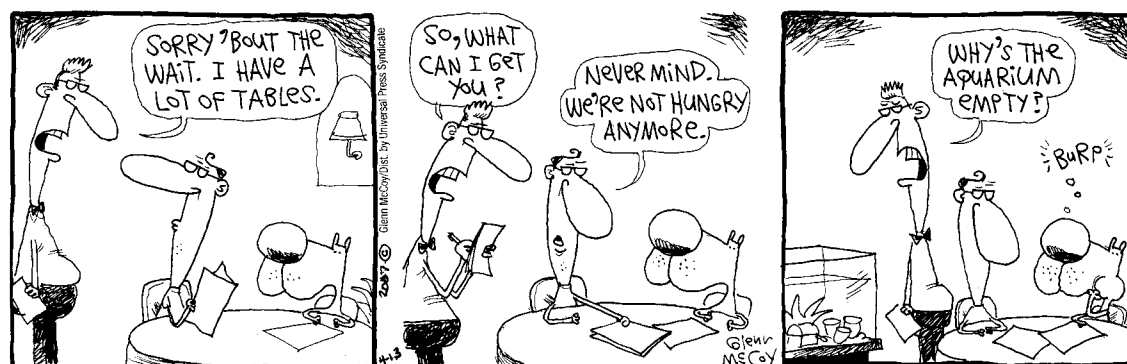
Poor kid, never had a chance.

**Pooch Cafe** | *Paul Gilligan*

**Pearls Before Swine** | *Stephan Pastis*



## The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



# Horoscope

*By Stella Wilder*

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You can advance your own creative techniques in imaginative ways. Those around you will be surprised at the increase in your energy.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You may be slowed somewhat by a technical difficulty that will require some quick learning on your part. Later, you can increase the pace.

**GEMINI (May 21–June 20)** Someone in a position of authority is likely to call upon you to lend assistance — especially where a minor mystery is concerned.

**CANCER (June 21–July 22)** You're going to want to do things very much your own way, and you're not likely to brook any opposition. Avoid becoming overly defensive.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You will soon recognize the signs of being “in transition” at this time; you may take the first steps toward a major change.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** You're likely to learn more about a friend than you expect, but there will be no reason to

question the relationship. Share a secret.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Progress may be slow but steady. You will have to be patient; any tendency toward rushing forward should be curbed as soon as you recognize it.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23–Nov. 21)** You are most likely in for a long day, and you'll want to pace yourself. You needn't try to tackle your multiple responsibilities all at once.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** You may disagree with a close friend and co-worker about the next step to take. Your plans are nearing fruition; there is time for compromise.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You can have a great deal of fun, thanks to hard work put in earlier in the week. Someone is likely to call on you for a favor during the evening.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** You're in a fine position to lend a hand to someone else, but you will want to be sure you're helping out in your own unique fashion.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** This is a good day to consider a future investment — of time or money. Consider your current position and assess the risks realistically.

## Letters

## Gun Poll Not Representative

**I'M WRITING IN REACTION** to Express' poll question on April 10: "Should handguns be banned in Washington, D.C.?" I wonder about the results that 81 percent voted "no," they should not be banned. Thinking about this further, however, I am not surprised, because the very highly committed gun enthusiasts, as well as the gun

lobby, actively promote their pro-gun agenda. I think it's unfortunate that these poll numbers give the impression that metro-area citizens support lifting the ban. If the ban is overturned, the real losers will be the additional people who are killed or injured.

—PAUL FINVER  
*Rockville, Md.*

**Correction:**

Thursday's Weekend Pass listing for Hillyer Art Space was incorrect. For the right listing, visit <http://artsandartists.org/artspace.html>.

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## Today in History

**1743** The third president of the United States, Thomas Jefferson, is born.

**1870** The Metropolitan Museum of Art is founded in New York. (It opened in 1872.)

**1964** Sidney Poitier becomes the first black performer in a leading role to win an Academy

Award, for "Lilies of the Field."

**1970** Apollo 13, four-fifths of the way to the moon, is crippled when a tank containing liquid oxygen bursts. (The astronauts managed to return home safely.)

**1992** The great flood of Chicago takes place as the city's century-old tunnel system and adjacent basements fill with water from the Chicago River.



LOOK

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People



MICHAEL BUCKNER/GETTY IMAGES

Maybe America can help poor Gwen.

HONESTY

**'I Look This Way Because I'm Happy and Don't Care'**

**AMERICA FERRERA** says she'll never be a waif. "There are times when I go to the gym and really try, and there are times when I just don't," she tells W. "I think I've developed a really good sense of when I'm doing something for myself as opposed to when I'm doing something because of other people's expectations of me." (AP)

PLEASE STOP

**Children Would Prefer Books Written by Robots**

Ex-Spice Girl **GERI HALLIWELL** is writing a series of children's books, and will record the series' theme song. Ginger Spice said Thursday she has landed a six-book deal to chronicle the adventures of Ugenia Lavender, a 9-year-old who balances school with solving mysteries and working her way out of scrapes. (AP)

DIVORCE

**Heather Is 45, Single**

**HEATHER LOCKLEAR** and **RICHIE SAMBORA** are officially divorced. The pair's split was finalized Wednesday in documents filed in Los Angeles Superior Court. Actress Locklear, 45, filed for divorce from Bon Jovi guitarist Sambora, 47, in February 2006 after 11 years of marriage. (AP)



MARK J. TERRILL/AP

IRS

**H&R TaxCut a Better Bet**

**MARC ANTHONY** has agreed to pay about \$2.5 million in back taxes, interest and penalties because of his failure to file returns for five years. Anthony was not prosecuted because



an accountant prepared his tax returns and Anthony apparently thought the returns had been filed. (AP)



LISA ROSE/AP

We'd empathize more if Gwen struggled to be thin, but did not succeed.

HONESTY

**'I Look This Way by Being Miserable Every Second'**

**GWEN STEFANI** struggles to stay a size 4. "I've always been on a diet, ever since I was in sixth grade. ... It's an ongoing battle and a nightmare," she tells Harper's Bazaar. "If you had paparazzi outside your house, you'd make sure you looked good, too." (EXPRESS)



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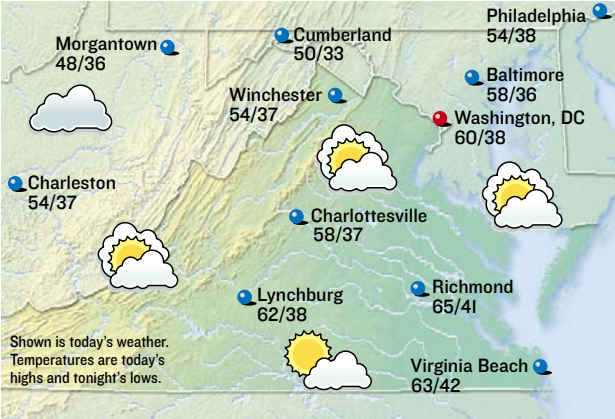
**Actress Is 'Pleased' With Adequate Infant**

"Boston Legal" star **JULIE BOWEN** brought real drama to the set: She went into labor. The actress gave birth later Tuesday to a boy, Oliver McLanahan Phillips, at a Los Angeles hospital, her management representative, Geoffrey Ashley, said Wednesday. Bowen, 37, who is married to Scott Phillips, had worked through her pregnancy and her water broke while she was filming. "Everyone's fine. Everyone's healthy," he said of Bowen and baby, who weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 19 inches long. "She is pleased," he said. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly sunny, windy	Increasingly cloudy	Mostly cloudy, afternoon rain	Rain, windy, cold	A shower possible, very windy	Partly sunny, breezy
60°	38°	52° / 40°	53° / 38°	48° / 39°	50° / 41°

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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

**Temperature**

High ..... 61°

Low ..... 44°

Normal high ..... 65°

Normal low ..... 45°

Average humidity ..... 76%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. .... 0.92"

Month to date ..... 1.31"

Normal month to date ..... 1.11"

Year to date ..... 9.18"

Last year to date ..... 7.02"

Normal year to date ..... 10.55"

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Regional Forecast

**D.C. Metro:** Today, partly sunny, windy. High 60. Wind west-northwest 15-25 mph. Tonight, increasingly cloudy. Low 38. Wind north-northwest 7-14 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today ..... 6:35 a.m.

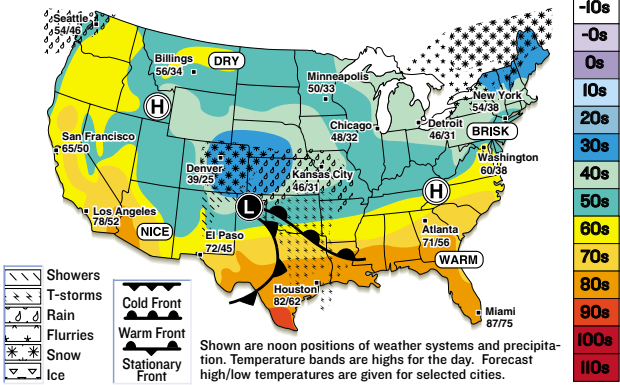
Sunset tonight ..... 7:43 p.m.

Moonrise today ..... 4:28 a.m.

Moonset today ..... 3:21 p.m.



National Weather for Friday, April 13



National Cities

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Atlanta	Hi/Low/W 71/56/pc	72/52/t
Boston	48/38/c	44/34/pc
Chicago	48/32/pc	48/30/c
Dallas	73/51/t	58/43/pc
Denver	39/25/sn	62/36/s
Honolulu	84/72/pc	85/71/s
Los Angeles	78/52/s	72/53/pc
Miami	87/75/s	86/74/pc
New York City	54/38/c	52/39/pc
Orlando	86/62/s	91/70/pc
Seattle	54/46/r	54/41/r

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	Hi/Low/W 70/50/pc	72/54/s
Athens	70/52/s	68/54/s
Berlin	72/48/s	73/48/s
Buenos Aires	72/55/s	77/61/pc
Calgary	56/33/pc	52/29/c
Dublin	61/43/pc	64/46/pc
Geneva	72/48/pc	75/44/s
Moscow	39/30/c	40/25/c
Rome	70/50/pc	66/48/pc
Sydney	75/59/pc	77/61/pc
Tokyo	62/55/sh	63/48/pc

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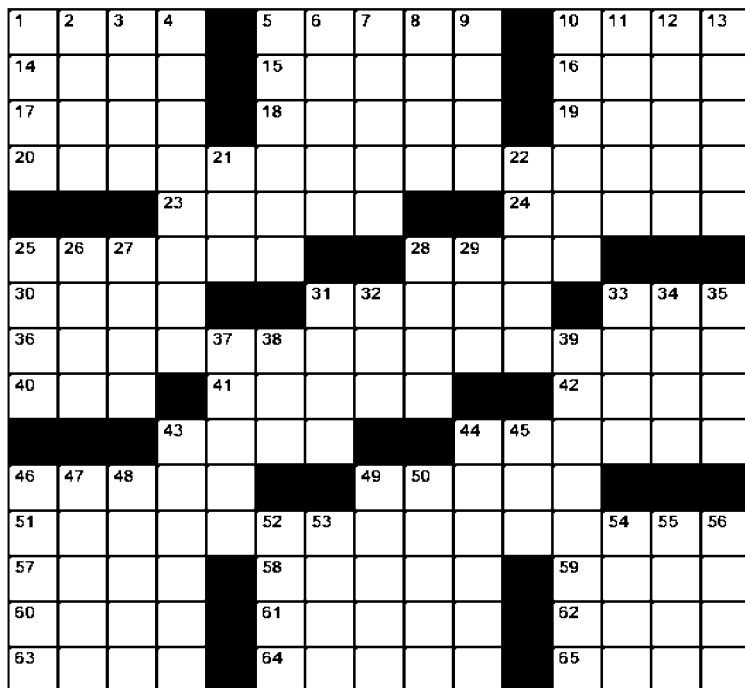
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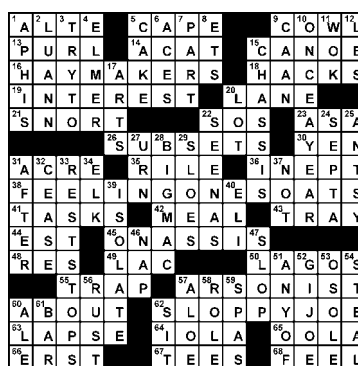
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## Su|do|ku

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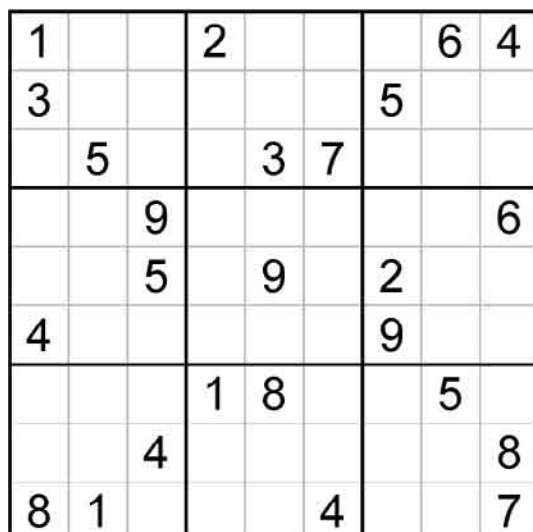
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### Yesterday's Solution

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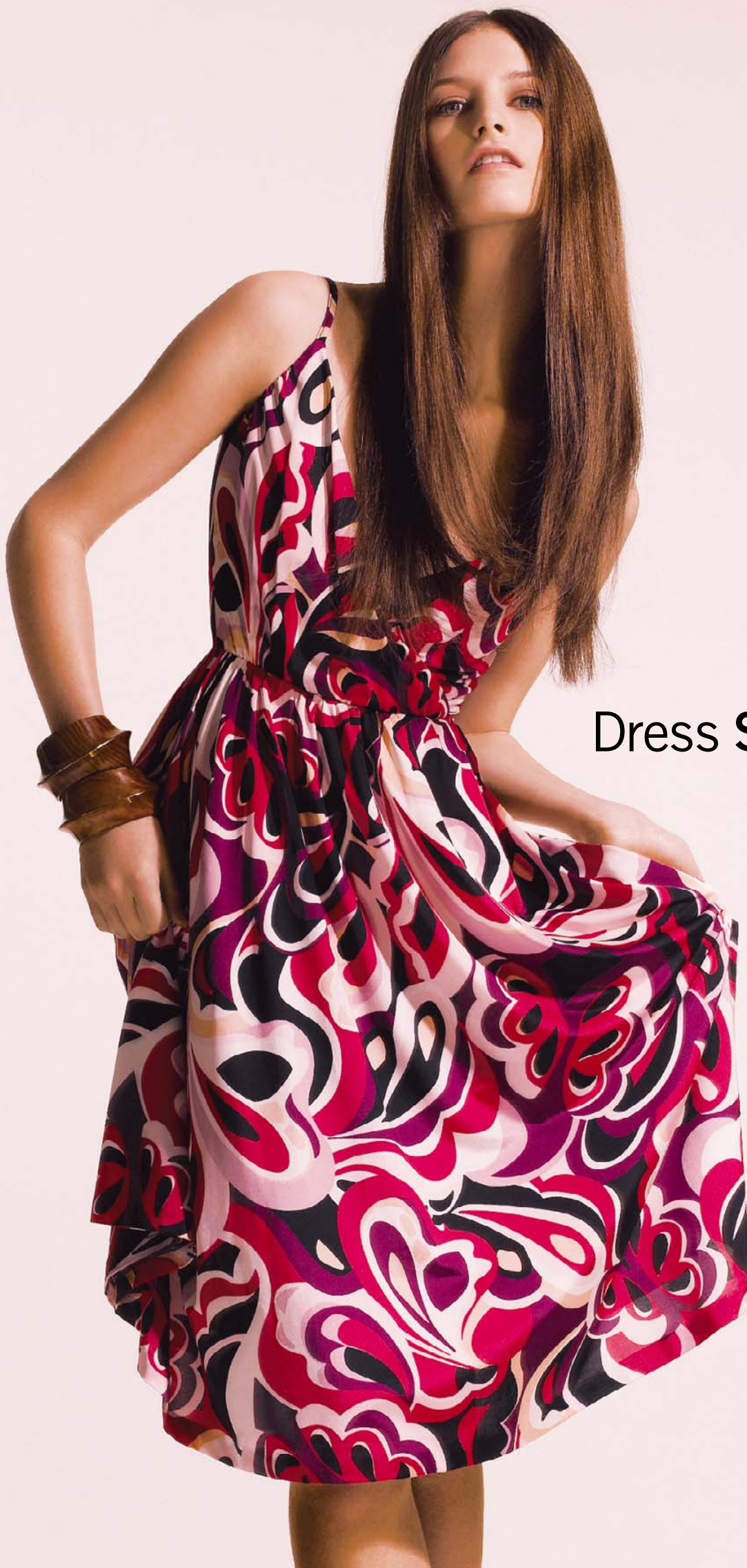
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# face QA time

■ **Take Sasha Cohen shopping**, and she'll be happy. Throw in a good meal and she'll probably leap into a triple axel. No wonder America's favorite ice princess hopes to squeeze in an evening in Georgetown while she's here this weekend performing in "Champions on Ice." If you miss her there, catch her brilliant cameo in "Blades of Glory."

**"Blades of Glory" must have been fun, but I'm more jealous you were on "Project Runway." How was it?**  
I design all my own costumes, so it was cool to see what the designers came up with. But it takes a while to figure out the right stretch and fit. My costumer had to make hundreds of dresses before she could do it right.

**What are you wearing for this tour?**  
It's nude with a diamond back, collar and wrists. I call it my Van Gogh Starry Night dress because it has swirls of silver and gold beads.

**How do you get ideas?**  
Usually they come to me totally randomly. I'll draw it, get it to my costume-maker, and then we'll go over fabric and beading samples.

**Have you ever thought about designing regular clothes?**  
If there were more hours in the day. But there are so many great designers out there. I'd rather go shopping for cute clothes — I don't have enough time to do that now.

**What's your off-the-ice style like?**  
I like Jackie O, Audrey Hepburn, fun vintage-y things. But it depends on my mood.

**What's your favorite piece in your wardrobe?**  
Probably something cashmere. It's always in my bag, unless I'm going to Tahiti.

**You're so heavily made-up when you perform. Do you wear a lot of makeup off the ice, too?**



FREDERICK M. BROWN/GETTY IMAGES

## Sasha Cohen

FIGURE SKATER, "CHAMPIONS ON ICE"

**I love makeup. I love Trish McEvoy, MAC, Stila. It's so much fun. You get to paint yourself like an artist.**

**What's your room like at home?**  
It's really cute, feminine and shabby-chic. It has beaded pillows, an off-white sheepskin rug, dried flowers and candles. It's very cozy. But I'm never there because I've been so busy.

**What's your ideal day off like?**  
Definitely starts with sleeping in and probably getting breakfast in the room. I love room service. Then going for a walk, getting a massage and going shopping. And, of course, being with friends and family. None of that's fun if you do it alone.

**And where would you be going shopping?**

"I'm such a foodie. I love finding little chocolate shops and having great meals out."

In New York, I love the boutique-y places in SoHo.

**I hear you're a baker?**  
When I have time, yes. I love cupcakes or good classic chocolate-chip cookies. I'm such a foodie. I love finding little chocolate shops and having great meals out.

**Do you have a favorite place that you've been?**  
Paris. The desserts are so good, and it's such a beautiful, romantic city. The clothes are beautiful and there's wonderful architecture. In America, I love New York, and D.C. too, because everything looks older. Everything in California, where I'm from, looks like it's less than three years old. VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)

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## 2 The Grand Poobah

**WE ARE DISAPPOINTED.** The latest iRobot critter — cousin to the vacuuming Roomba and the scrubbing Scooba — is named “Verro.” Which does not rhyme with either.

The Verro cleans pools, so, clearly, it should have been called the Poobah. The 300 (at left, \$800) pressure-washes gunite pools; the 600 (\$1,200), which attacks surfaces with spinning brushes, is designed for vinyl, fiberglass and tile. Both suck up and filter yuckiness, too, purportedly covering a max of 20 by 50 feet in 60 to 90 minutes. If you’re really lazy, they’d probably also work on your bathtub, but that would be kind of pricey.

**Grab Bag**



## 4 Ores for Your Pores

**HEAVY FOUNDATIONS** make you look dead, or like one of those rubber masks from the “Land of Confusion” video. Man, that video scared us as kids. MAC’s new Mineralize Skinfinish SPF15 (\$26.50, [maccosmetics.com](http://maccosmetics.com)) provides solid coverage, yet adds a much-needed bit of dewiness. The Mineralize Skinfinish powder (\$24.50) gives a light, even look when used alone and pairs well with the base. Little bits of glimmer keep it from looking too matte.



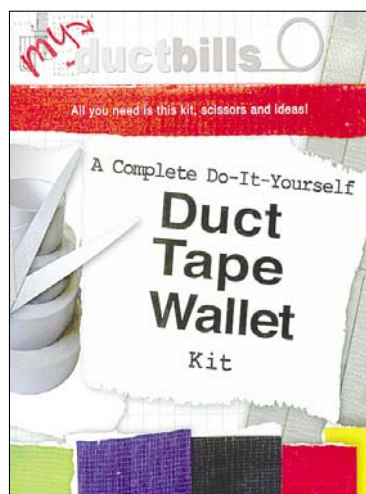
## America’s Most-Wanted Plate

**A 1994 SURVEY** by Russian émigré artists Komar and Melamid discovered that Americans most desire artwork depicting autumnal, outdoor scenes that include wild animals, bodies of water and the color blue. By that count, Pop Ink’s melamine Fawn-Due plates are the single most appealing dishes EVER. A set of four goes for \$44 at Dupont Circle’s Tabletop (1608 20th St. NW; 202-387-7117).



## 5 Buttoned Upper

**PITY FEMALE BANKERS,** lawyers and presidential candidates stuck wearing snorey suits! But business formal (or job-interview impressive) doesn’t have to mean boring. Dagg and Stacey’s jacket and skirt combos (about \$350, Nana, 1528 U St. NW; 202-667-6955) boast flirty details (asymmetrical necklines, curvy skirts) and fun fabrics (mint, black-and-white stripes, dotted ribbons). Meaning you can now wow the folks at work with both your beauty and your brains.



## 3 Tape Shapes

**INSIDE THE** Duct Tape Wallet Kit (\$20, [myductbills.com](http://myductbills.com)) are clear pictorial instructions and 30 bits of the material. In a half-hour, we produced a credible, mannish billfold that, one observer stated, “would cost at least \$15 on U Street.” If you mess up, there aren’t extra pieces — luckily, it’s just duct tape.

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ANSWERS FROM THE SHOELOGGER

**After a recent talk with a dashing but insensitive young man, I’m swearing off boys, at least for the next week or two. Can you suggest some shoes that will not only make me feel delightfully independent, but also will not scare away any potential future crushes?** — AUDREY

■ Manolo says, yes, it is true what they say: Men are from Mars and women are from Neiman Marcus. The typical male reaction to mild



romantic rejection is to order the beer and to try again immediately with someone else.

The typical female response, one that the Manolo wholeheartedly encourages, is to go on the shopping expedition. Clearly, it is better to alleviate your disappointments in love by finding the perfect pair of the beautiful new shoes than by vigorously consuming the gallon-sized tub of raspberry rocky road ice cream. (Not that there is anything wrong with the ice cream, just that, as with all drugs, it must be used in moderation.)

As for which shoes would be good for expressing your independence and your readiness for adventure, the Manolo would recommend the Stripe-Less from Kenneth Cole New York (\$169, [zappos.com](http://zappos.com)) as being the shoe for the girl who is almost ready for the crush.

@ Ask the Manolo a question at [manolo@shoeblogs.com](mailto:manolo@shoeblogs.com). Visit the Manolo at [shoeblogs.com](http://shoeblogs.com).

## ON THE COVER

**Tribeca’s fake snake espadrilles** (\$59, Nordstrom, Pentagon City; 703-415-1121) **rock for ship or shore.** Photo by Michelle Repiso.



# Styles | home



**THE SOFT SELL:** Furniture designers Mitchell Gold, left, and Bob Williams (with bulldog Lulu) tout comfortable decorating via their new book and a 14th Street boutique.

## Any tips on picking fabrics?

**MG:** People should think about how they're going to use the room ... with pets and kids, slipcovers are ideal.

**BW:** Yeah, if there are going to be lots of activities on the sofa, go for something that's indestructible, like a microsuede.

**"A sofa should be like a great pair of pants."**

**MG:** But if they're adults and don't eat a lot while sitting on these pieces, they can go for tailored wovens.

## What about pillows?

**BW:** Pillows are really a good place to take a chance and go out on color or pattern. If you get tired of something, it's easy to change. It's one thing to put pillows in a closet and another thing to do that with a sofa.

## In the book, you preach comfort above all. What are ways to create a cozy home without going broke?

**MG:** I'd hope they'd invest in one good sofa. And it doesn't take a lot of money to take pictures of friends, family and vacations and put them in nice white frames. At home, Bob used a can of spray paint on some frames to do that. And in our first house, in the hallway, we had a cheap art gallery of postcards and fortune cookie messages in simple frames.

**BW:** And collect something, because when people walk into your house, they see things that interest you, and that gives them a chance to get to know you. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

# The Sultans of Sofas

Mitchell Gold + Bob Williams on their new store and book

**Chances are,** if you've ever bought a cushy chaise at Crate & Barrel or a leather recliner at Restoration Hardware, your derriere is already intimately acquainted with Mitchell Gold + Bob Williams, though you may not recognize their names. That's because the furniture designers have been creating sofas, club chairs and upholstered

beds for both national chains and specialty retailers since 1989.

The pair also operate their own eponymous stores stuffed with super-fluffed sofas, upholstered headboards and lots and lots of throw pillows. The divan duo's first D.C. shop is set to open April 14 at 1526 14th St. NW (202-332-3433). We chatted with them about this and their new decorating book, "Let's Get Comfortable" (\$35, Meredith).

**What can we expect from the D.C. store?**

**MG:** Fabulousness? What else would

you expect from two gay guys? It's a very clean environment, with white floors and walls, and lots of room between the furniture so you can see it.



**What's the key to shopping for a new sofa?**

**MG:** We believe it's comfort, not only in the way it feels on your tush, but also how it affects your pocketbook and eye. If you've got a sofa that's \$5,000 and extremely comfortable, that's not financially comfortable.

**BW:** That's our biggest challenge, making things both affordable and comfortable.

**What sort of mistakes do people make when plonking down money on upholstery?**

**MG:** People don't vary their seating in major areas. You should have some deep pieces and some upright pieces. And they sometimes go for wild patterns. We prefer to sell things that are solid colors, because they're more calming and serene.

**What are some good colors to choose, then?**

**BW:** We kind of approach it the way we dress, keeping it somewhat simple and basic. A sofa should be like a great pair of pants and go with a lot of things.

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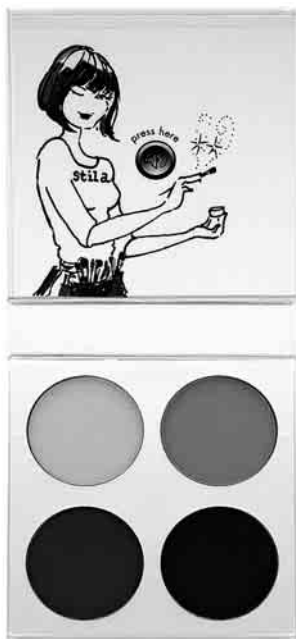


# beauty | Styles

## Shadow Show-Down

**A smoky eye is like skydiving** — a terrible idea without proper training and guidance. Those sultry, Cleopatra-esque lids look stunning on models, but amateur attempts are likely to be more raccoon than runway unless you enlist help. Enter beauty school in a box. Three new kits promise to school you in what to apply, where to put it and how to add the finishing touches. To test their teaching ability, we had a normally au naturel woman attempt to follow the instructions.

VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)



### ↑ Stila Eye Palette

**Press the button on** this high-tech compact (\$40), and a voice will walk you through the application of the four neutral hues (one's nude, the others shades of gray). But unless you're practicing speed makeup for a future "Top Model" challenge, you probably won't want to follow the cheerful female lecturer, who whizzes through the process in less than a minute. Relying on the old-fashioned paper instructions led to some fabulous results. The only problem? Truly doing the look right requires three brushes, liner and mascara — not included.

### ↓ Eye Tutorial

**The first offering** from Bare Escentuals' new Tutorial line (\$32) comes with all of the necessary supplies — two loose-powder shadows, a brush and instructions. The metallic mauve is an ideal backdrop for the charcoal, and the two-sided brush can handle both broad strokes and lighter touches. But not light enough. While upper lids achieved cat-like perfection, the thick lines below the eyes, made by the too-thick liner brush, resulted in our tester looking like she'd battled a tough week of insomnia.



### ↑ Pop-Eye Class

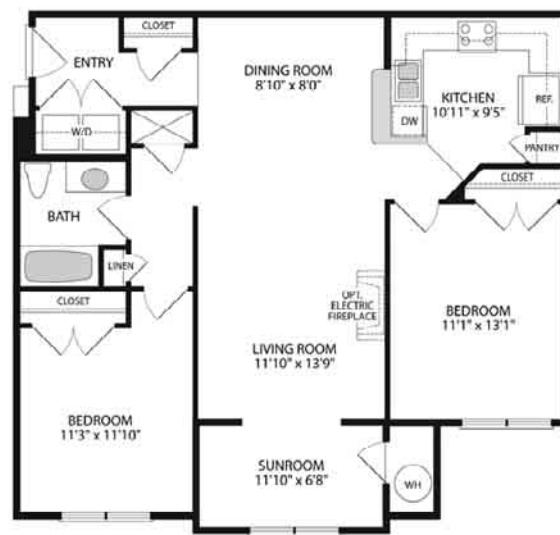
**A rainbow of 12 colors** awaits those who crack open this faux-leather-bound compact (\$32). But while the shades (some matte, some sparkly) allow for several variations of the smoky eye (like "natural," a look using bronze and nude, and "rock'n'roll," which blends midnight and lilac blues), the directions are sorely lacking. There's a diagram that has absolutely no relationship to the four designs described next to it. And the instructions, while perhaps understandable to the Brits who wrote them, left our tester blinking blankly. "Push" a liner color "onto lash roots"? In the hands of a cosmetics queen, this set may provoke genius, but it's not for novices.



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# Rope & Glory

## HIP ESPADRILLES WEAVE THEIR WAY INTO FASHION

French peasants and Nantucket princesses have sported rope-bottom shoes for eons. Now, espadrilles have gone haute, with wrapped bases capped by snakeskin, satin or metallics. "I used to consider them shoes that preppies wore with A-line skirts," says shop owner Betsy Fisher. "But espadrilles now fill a casual niche, like cropped pants." Usually seen in wedge form, they "look good and feel good," says Tony Zelaya of shoetique Zelaya. With sundresses or capris, the woven wonders give height sans hurt, a towering achievement indeed. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

**(1) Betty Boop** would squeak for Seychelles' retro, dotty peep toes. (\$75, southmoonunder.com) **(2) Beach cabana-ish stripes** festoon Not Rated's strappy 'spadrilles, which would jazz up khaki capris. (\$48, ShoeFly, 2618 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-243-6430 and 1520 U St. NW; 202-332-1077) **(3) Designer details** — metallic jute soles, two-tone canvas uppers — give Payless' bargain sandals an expensive, fit-for-a-starlet look. (\$18, payless.com) **(4) Fancy enough** for a wedding, J. Crew's leather and burlap babies would pair nicely with a strapless cocktail frock. (\$160, jcrew.com) **(5) Red satin** lends rope platforms a bit of Moulin Rouge glam. (\$60, Nordstrom, Pentagon City; 703-415-1121) **(6) Studio 54 meets** South Beach on Marc by Marc Jacobs' towering, sequined mules (on-sale price \$169, eluxury.com) **(7) Railroad stripes** make Mikala's slides worth

engineering into weekend outfits. (\$125, Zelaya, 4940 St. Elmo Ave., Bethesda; 301-656-8550) **(8) Be Amazonian princess-tall** in Sam Edelman's faux snake wedges, which balance on rugged braided rattan. (\$175, Wild Women Wear Red, 1512 U St. NW; 202-387-5700) **(9) Ay, caramba!** With folksy embroidery reminiscent of a flamenco diva's shawl, Camper's Spanish steppers would dance nicely with jeans or a mini. (\$218, Wild Women Wear Red) **(10) Pop-art'y posies** star on Ah nee mahl's flirty slingbacks. (\$95, Betsy Fisher, 1224 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-785-1975) **(11) Burlap-wrapped soles** and grommets make Matiko's turquoise nautical espies see-worthy. (\$99, Shoe Hive, 115 S. Royal St., Alexandria; 703-548-7105; theshoehive.com) **(12) Subtle yet shiny**, Ramon Tenza's gilded darlings match almost anything. (\$105, Betsy Fisher)



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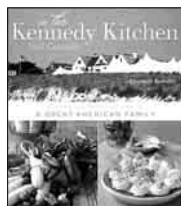
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#### What Is a S'more?

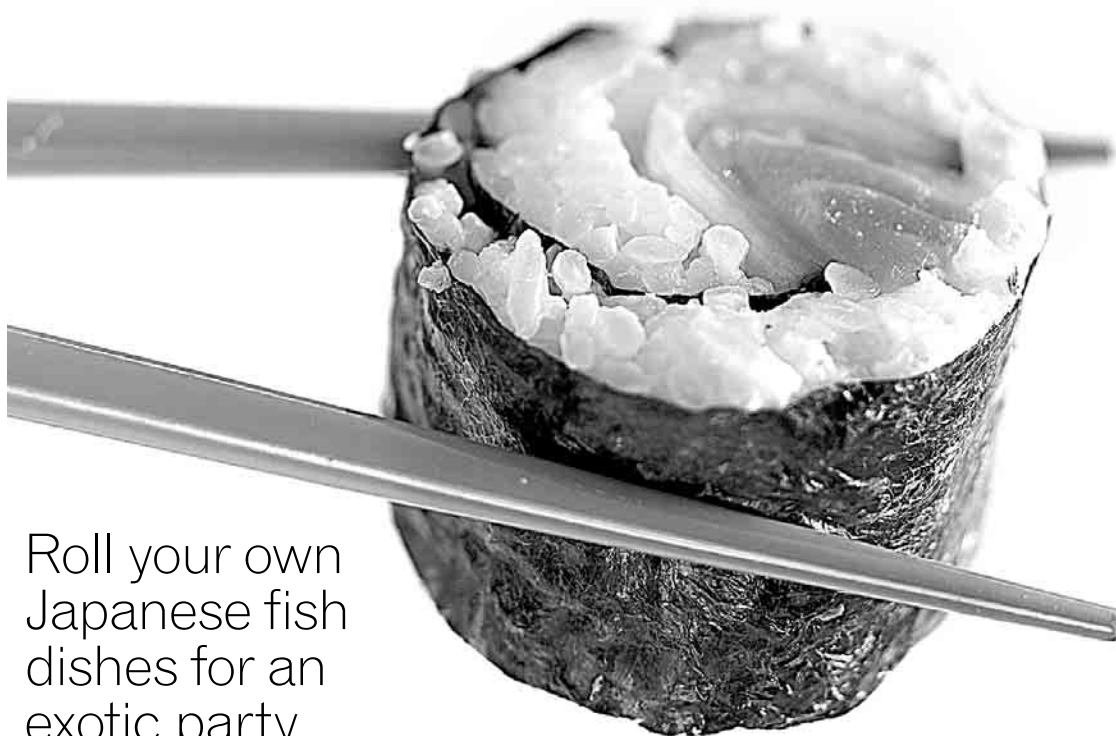
■ Where do s'mores end and sandwiches begin? "S'mores" (by Lisa Adams, \$17, Gibbs Smith) takes a loose, deconstructionist approach to the campfire treat. Here, it consists of any two sweet, flattish objects — apricot slices, biscotti, brownies, waffles — encasing a marshmallow and one or more additional substances. There are even variations on that formula — a taco made with a Danish cookie called a "stroopwafel," the open-faced s'more, a s'more-inspired cupcake. Every other page sports a drool-inducing confection close-up that makes eating paper tempting. HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

### BOOKS

#### Camelot's Kitchen



■ You know who makes awesome food? Rich New Englanders. And no one is richer or New Englandier than the Kennedy clan. Take a peek into privilege with "In the Kennedy Kitchen" (\$35, DK) by Neil Connolly, former head chef at the Hyannis Port compound. (Man, how come our family doesn't have a compound?) Seafood is heavily featured, with an emphasis on simple, straightforward presentations. Because the Kennedys are all about simplicity. In addition to typical food-porn photos, there are candids of America's first family, which is depressing because so many of them are dead. Oh, and there's a drinks chapter. Duh. KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)



Roll your own Japanese fish dishes for an exotic party

# Rice, Rice Baby

**With a samurai-sharp knife,** Perrys sushi chef Noriaki Yasutake slices raw flounder into tiny cubes. Mixed with onion, malt vinegar and tempura flakes, the bits are topped with fried potato ribbons, plopped on rice/seaweed squares and served as a fish-and-chips roll at the Adams Morgan spot (1811 Columbia Rd. NW; 202-234-6218).

While Yasutake trained for years to execute such complex dishes, even he says it's easy to play sushi chef at home. "All it takes is a little rice, some seaweed and vegetables," he says. "If someone shows guests how to make rolls, it's fun."

The Japanese have been chowing on sushi since the seventh century, when raw carp was layered with rice and salt in wooden buckets. Now Americans often eat more (and

more creative) maki (rolls wrapped in seaweed) and nigiri (fish laid over bite-sized blocks of rice) than their Tokyo counterparts. "Sushi in Japan has been much more traditional and basic," says Winston Floyd, 30, a Silver Spring energy company sales exec who often throws sushi parties and who once taught English in Japan.

Newbie rollers should try temaki-sushi (hand rolls) first. "I prepare sushi rice, nori [roasted seaweed] and fillings like smoked salmon and pickled vegetables," says Floyd. Then he lets guests do it themselves, showing how to take a rectangle of nori, smooth rice over half of it, fill it with slivers of avocado or shrimp, and fold it into a cone.

Adventurous cooks can advance to maki like California rolls or spicy

tuna (fish mixed with Japanese mayo). The only tools required: a makisu (a bamboo mat, about \$2 at an Asian grocery), patience and



Japanimate your next sushi soirée with origami animal place cards.

plastic wrap, which goes on the mat to prevent sticking.

Then, "lay the nori down on the mat and cover it coast to coast

with a thin layer of rice," says Allen Smith, general manager of Sushi-Ko (2309 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-4187). "But don't mash the rice — it'll turn to tapioca." Place a thin line of ingredients ("nothing wider than a pinkie," says Smith) down the center of the rice, dab on a little wasabi, press and roll.

Fanning sushi rice after cooking makes it sticky and ready to roll.

Getting the rice right is key. Cook a short-grain type, then mix it with vinegar, sugar and salt, says Celeste Heiter, author of "The Sushi Book" (\$24, ThingsAsian Press). "It's important to fan the rice to help make it sticky enough," she adds. The stuff should be gooeey enough to hold together but not too gummy. If this proves tougher than scaling Mount Fuji, buy pre-made rice from a sushi bar or Japanese grocery like Bethesda's Hinata (4947 St. Elmo Ave.; 301-656-1009).

Sushi bar menus give hints about what to mix rice with, like Perrys' avocado/sundried tomato combo. Floyd even offers cooked ginger pork for guests to wrap and roll.

Raw fish is your wish? "Go to an Asian market, where many items are meant to be served uncooked," says Smith, and ask the fish monger what he or she recommends. Sources of safe-to-eat seafood and other sushi sundries include Han Ah Reum (8103 Lee Hwy., Falls Church; 703-573-6300) and Lotte (11190 Parklawn Dr., Rockville; 301-881-3355).

Sake is sushi's traditional drinking buddy. "But champagne also goes well. It restores your palate between bites," says Smith. Soft red wines and sweet whites also match, as do Japanese beers.

For your bash, keep decor Zen-like by serving guests on a coffee table graced with lucky bamboo. "In Japan, sushi places have elegance and an exotic feel," says Heiter. "You feel like you've left the planet behind." Roll your sushi skillfully enough, and friends will think they have, too. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

## RECIPE FILE ►► SUSHI RICE



**INGREDIENTS:** 3 cups dry white sushi-grade rice; 3 cups water; 1/3 cup rice wine vinegar; 2 tbsp. sugar; 1 tsp. salt

**GETTING STARTED:** Cook the rice in an automatic rice steamer or on the stove top. When the rice is done, dissolve the sugar and salt in the rice wine vinegar in a small pan over low heat. Sprinkle the vinegar mixture into the cooked rice and fluff gently with a wooden rice paddle to mix. Place the cooked rice in a large wooden bowl. Fan the rice with a fan or piece of stiff paper for eight to 10 minutes. When rice is cool to the touch, begin making sushi.

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**Q** What's the dumbest fear you've ever had?

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**1.** "Critters." The furballs in that movie scared me. Seeing Furbies made me feel 10 all over again," Mike Wetzl, left. "When I was a kid, I thought my clothes piles had monsters in them," John Oo. **2.** "That hair clip that looks like a claw," Wyatt Cavalier. **3.** "An earwig going into my ear," Yaya Summers, with Bobby Lee. **4.** "Getting misquoted in The Washington Post," James Rekas. **5.** "Feet," Sophia Im, left. "Hotel pools," Mollie Propes, center. "Flying squirrels," Caroline Cook. **6.** "The Snuggle bear. That thing is evil," Christian Fallbrook. KRIS CORONADO



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## Andrea Edelman, Jeffrey Stagg

Andrea, 23, is a law student at George Washington University. Jeffrey, 23, is an accountant with KPMG. They live in Arlington.

- **The Main Event:** A "casual but nice" Jewish ceremony for 200 guests on May 27 in Woodcliff Lake, N.J.
- **Honeymoon:** Jackson Hole, Wyo., to explore the Grand Teton and Yellowstone national parks.
- **How They Met:** In middle school. "But we didn't start dating until we had senior English together," says Andrea.
- **First Impressions:** "I thought he

was too nice for me — kind of quiet and shy," says Andrea.

■ **First Date:** "We saw 'A Beautiful Mind' and I left my purse in the movie theater," says Andrea. "Jeff had to run back and search under the seats."

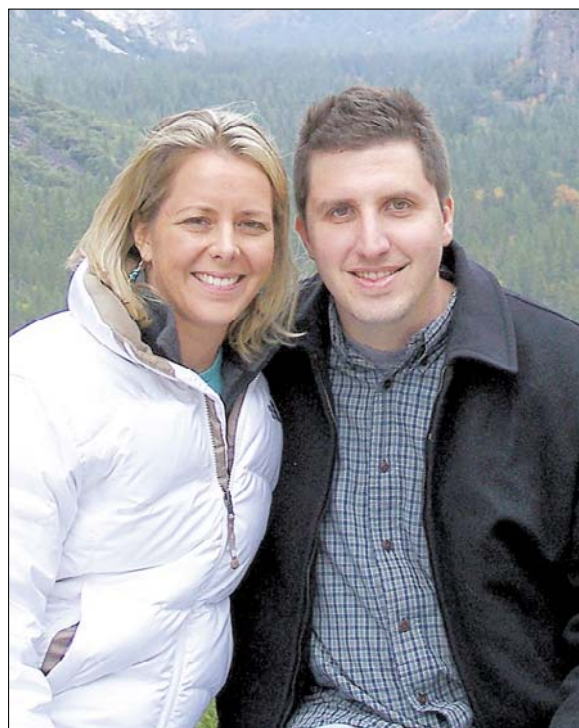
■ **When She Knew:** "Instead of getting sick of him after a while, I just wanted to spend more time with him," says Andrea.

■ **How He Proposed:** "I hid the ring in the bag of Scrabble tiles," says Jeff. Two-thirds of the way into a game, she found the ring, and he popped the question.

■ **Their Song:** "We like John Cusack and 'Say Anything' enough to have a soft spot for 'In Your Eyes,'" says Jeff. "But only when it's playing out of a boom box lifted above someone's head."

■ **Pet Names:** Jeff is "any variation of bear," says Andrea. "Bear, bearsy, bear claw."

"I thought she was the best-looking girl in school," says Jeff.



## Sweet Somethings

Every love story is sweet. But that of **MICHAEL MASLOWSKI** and **MEGAN MATSELBOBA** is more sugar-laden than others. Their first date was "walking to get ice cream at Max's on Wisconsin Avenue on the most beautiful day of the summer in 2005," says Megan. "However, I was wearing the most uncomfortable pair of heels possible that evening," so Michael had to slowly walk a barefoot Megan all the way back afterward.

The proposal also had a carbohydrate kick. While Megan was on a business trip, Michael decorated her apartment for Christmas (and cleaned it, too). "When she walked in, I flipped a switch and all the lights came on and the tree lit up. I had champagne glasses sitting next to a box of M&M's with 'Will you marry me?' printed on them." A bit of their first date will grace the wedding: They're serving three kinds of ice-cream cake.

Michael, 32, is an analyst for the Government Accountability Office. Megan, 30, is an analyst for the Department of Justice. They live in D.C. and will marry July 21 in Buffalo, N.Y.



## Christina Barrientos, Edward Palencia

Christina, 21, is a student at Catholic University. Edward, 22, is a stats specialist for Lockheed Martin. They live in Germantown.

■ **The Main Event:** A formal ceremony for more than 100 guests at a private residence in Great Falls, Va., on July 6.

■ **How They Met:** "In church," says Edward.

■ **First Date:** "He asked me out when I was 14 at the Rio Grande in Arlington," says Christina.

■ **How He Proposed:** "On our five-year anniversary, he took me back to Rio Grande and proposed after dinner just outside the restaurant," says Christina. "I was the happiest girl alive that night."

■ **When He Knew:** "Over time, I knew she was the one for me," says Edward.

"I knew we were going to stick together, not like glue, but like Super Glue," says Christina.

"We clicked, and I knew I couldn't be without her."

■ **The Cake:** A traditional Spanish fruit-filled cake — white with a black pattern.

■ **Wedding Jitters:** Christina fears that "traffic will delay everything!"

■ **Aisle Music:** "I know 'Pachelbel's Canon' is popular, but it's the song I promised myself I would walk to after I saw 'Father of the Bride,'" says Christina.

■ **Making It Unique:** The wedding "will also serve as a family reunion," says Christina. "I will meet some family for the first time ever."

## Ben Charboneau, Anne Wendt

Ben, 26, is a user-experience designer for The Motley Fool. Anne, 26, is an assistant managing editor at CQPress. They live in Washington.

■ **The Main Event:** A semiformal afternoon ceremony and reception for 135 guests in Rochester, Minn., on April 28.

■ **How They Met:** While undergraduates at the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire.

■ **First Date:** Dinner at "one of the only nice restaurants in Eau Claire, called Mona Lisa," says Anne.

■ **Stupidest Fight:** "I guess the one about whether it was OK to put bed throw pillows on the floor was pretty stupid," says Anne.

■ **How He Proposed:** Ben was here on a visit from Minneapolis. "About five minutes after we got to my apartment from the airport, he was down on one knee," says Anne.



■ **When He Knew:** "When she moved to D.C. and we weren't dating at the time, but remained best friends," says Ben. "After several months apart, I knew that

we were supposed to spend the rest of our lives together."

■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** Ben's "sage green, terry cloth, geriatric, nubby, drawstring 'lounging' pants."

■ **Their Song:** "Lady" by Modjo. "Ben was a DJ at the on-campus 'club,' and on the day we officially became boyfriend/girlfriend, he dedicated the song to me."

■ **Making It Unique:** Instead of tossing the bouquet and garter, they'll throw a stuffed loon (Minnesota's state bird) named Lena at the single ladies and a stuffed walleye (Minnesota's state fish) named Ole at the single men.



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